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CONFERENCE HISTORY.

The Methodist Episcopal Church was reorganized in Annual Conference relations in Louisiana, December 25th, 1865, by Bishop Thomson. The Conference organized included Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas, and was named the Mississippi Mission Conference. Three annual sessions of this Conference were held, and in January, 1867, the Texas Conference, and in 1869, the Louisiana and Mississippi Conferences were organized.

MISSISSIPPI MISSION CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

Number	DATE.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	Secretary	Statistical Secretary	Preachers Stationed	Membership.
1	December 25, 1865.	New Orleans	Thomson	Newman	.....	16	2,093
2	December 13, 1866.	New Orleans	Simpson	Newman	.....	32	7,894
3	December 19, 1867.	New Orleans	Ames	Lynch	Diosy	51	16,198

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

1	Jan. 13-18, 1869	New Orleans	Simpson	Newman	Diosy	40	12,636
2	Jan. 26-31, 1870	Baton Rouge	Scott	Matlack.	Matlack.	47	10,575
3	Dec. 22-27, 1870	New Orleans	Scott	Matlack.	Matlack.	54	10,286
4	Dec. 22-27, 1871	New Orleans	Janes	Matlack.	Matlack.	58	10,333
5	Jan. 8-14, 1873	New Orleans	Janes	Cole	Cole	63	10,769
6	Jan. 7-13, 1874	Baton Rouge	Merrill	Hartzell.	Barth	72	11,737
7	Jan. 6-13, 1875	New Orleans.	Foster	Morrow	Barth	74	12,235
8	Jan. 5-12, 1876	New Orleans	Haven	Hartzell.	Barth	74	11,287
9	Jan. 10-15 1877	New Orleans	Wiley	Hartzell.	Madden	70	11,178
10	Jan. 9-13, 1878	Baton Rouge	Harris	Hartzell.	Madden	72	*10,889
11	Jan. 29, Feb. 2, 1879	New Orleans	Andrews	Hartzell	Madden	80	10,649
12	Jan. 21-25, 1880	New Orleans	Harris	Hartzell.	Albert	71	11,420
13	Jan. 25-30, 1881	Shreveport	Foss	Hartzell.	Albert	72	10,808
14	Jan. 25-31, 1882	Franklin	Peck	Hartzell.	Albert	92	11,109
15	Feb. 1-5, 1883	Alexandria	Hurst	Hartzell.	Albert	98	12,187
16	Jan. 30, Feb. 4, 1884	New Orleans	Wiley	Hartzell.	Albert	107	12,576
17	Jan. 29, Feb. 2, 1885	Baton Rouge	Mallalieu	Hartzell.	Albert	113*a*	11,872*g*
18	Jan. 28, Feb. 1, 1886	Monroe	Bowman	Hartzell	Albert	125*b*	12,336*h*
19	Jan. 20-26, 1887	New Orleans	Merrill	Hartzell.	Albert	127*c*	13,555*i*
20	Jan. 25-31, 1888	New Orleans	Warren	Hartzell.	Albert	137*d*	14,046*k*
21	Jan. 31, Feb. 4, 1889	Donalds'nville	FitzGerald	Albert	Lyon	139*e*	13,813
22	Jan. 28, Feb. 3, 1890	Shreveport	Vincent	Albert	Lyon	162*f*	13,813
23	Jan. 14-19, 1891	New Orleans	Newman	Albert	Lyon	194*n*	15,545
24	Jan. 13-19, 1892	New Orleans	Mallalieu	Albert	Lyon	169*u*	16,475
25	Jan. 26-30, 1893	Shreveport	Andrews	Albert	Price	165*y*	*15,074
26	Jan. 31, Feb. 5, 1894	Baton Rouge	Walden	Albert	Price	161	16,006
27	Feb. 6-11, 1895	Monroe	Bowman	Albert	Ford	177	15,426
28	Jan. 15-20, 1896	New Orleans	FitzGerald	Albert	Hudson	184	11,503
29	Jan. 13-19, 1897	Donalds'nville	Walden	Albert	McCary	172	12,410

*This decrease mostly caused by transfer of three German Churches to Southern German Conference.

a ot including three appointed as supplies.
b Not including eight appointed as supplies.
c Not including 15 supplies.
d Not including 11 supplies.
e Not including 32 supplies.
f Including 16 supplies.
g Including 312 local preachers.
h Including 333 local preachers.
i Including 415 local preachers.
k Including 461 local preachers.
n Not including 15 supplies.
u Includin 20 supplies.
y Including supplies.

*This decrease is due in part by transfer of the Lake Charles District to the Gulf Mission, and the general imigration of whole congregations of our people to Oklahoma and other parts. Our constant growth is substantial.

NOTE.—An examination of the statistics shows that in the first years of the Conferences, congregations rather than Church members were counted. Each year the statistics as to actual membership have more and more correct.

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OUR HONORED DEAD!

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit: for they rest from their labor, and their works do follow them."

No.	NAMES.	Joined Itinerancy when and in what Conference.	Joined Louisiana when?	Relation at the time of death.	Died when?
1	Rev. Ananias Frær,	Miss. Mission 1868	1869	Effective Elder	1871 Jan. 1.
2	" Ebenezer Hayward,	Miss. Mission 1866	1869	Effective Elder	1873 July 3.
3	" Samuel Small,	Miss. Mission 1865	Founder 1865	Superannuated	1873 Oct. 12.
4	" James Bryan,	Miss. Mission 1865	Founder 1865	Effective Elder	1876 Jan. 2.
5	" Wm. M. Daily, D.D. LL.D.	Indiana 1833	1868	Presiding Elder	1877 Jan.
6	" Henry P. Taylor,	African Zion	1873	Effective Elder	1877 Jan. 15.
7	" Reuben W. Overton,	Louisiana 1873	1873	Effective Elder	1878 Sept. 17
8	" Joseph Dutch,	New York Zion 1862	1872	Effective Elder	1879 Jan. 28.
9	" Peter Brown,	Louisiana 1875	1875	Deacon	1879 Oct.
10	" James M. Vance,	African Zion	1869	Effective Elder	1880 Ap'l 30.
11	" Geo. Washington, No. 2	Louisiana 1869	1869	Effective Elder	1880 Oct. 25.
12	" Robert Hodge,	Miss. Mission 1866	1869	Superannuated	1881 Mar. 12
13	" James Hayward	Miss. Mission 1866	1869	Superannuated	1881 Mar. 20
14	" Reason Ennis	Louisiana 1870	1870	Supernum'rary	1882
15	" John Brooks	Miss. Mission 1868	1869	Supernum'rary	1882 Aug. 1.
16	" Marshall Smith	Louisiana 1874	1874	Located Elder	1882
17	" Scott Chinn	Licensed before the war by M. E. C. South	Founder 1865	Superannuated	1882 June 17
18	" John W. Wesley	Louisiana 1869	1869	Supernum'rary	1883 Feb. 18.
19	" Thos. Kennedy	Miss. Mission 1865	1869	Effective Elder	1883 Nov. 1.
20	" Isaac Hayward	Louisiana 1870	1870	Effective Elder	1883 Feb. 12.
21	" James A. Dean, D. D.	Providence 1860	1882	Ex-President N.O. University	1885 Mar. 30
22	" Joseph Gould	Miss. Mission 1866	1869	Supernum'rary	1886 Mar. 1.
23	" Nicholas Burton	African M. E. Church, 1872	1881	Supernum'rary	1887
24	" Henry Green	Licensed before the war by M. E. Ch. South	Founder 1865	Superannuated	1888 Mar. 10.
25	" A. F. Hoyt, A. M., S. T. B.	Michigan	1884	Effective Elder & College Pres.	1888 Oct. 27.
26	" Geo. W. Shelby	Louisiana 1888	1888	Deacon	1888 Oct. 19.
27	" Samuel Osborne	Miss. Mission 1866	Founder 1865	Superannuated	1890 Mar.

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28	Rev. Alfred Legardy	Louisiana 1873	1873	Superannuated	1891 Feb. 2.
29	" Wm. Smith	Louisiana 1878	1878	Effective Elder	1891 Nov. 2.
30	" R. J. Thomas	Louisiana 1882	1882	" "	1892 Jan. 28.
31	" Wm. Murrell	Miss. Mission 1865	Founder 1865	Superannuated Elder	1892 Feb. 7.
32	" Charles Downs	Louisiana 1869	1869	" "	1892 Feb. 17.
33	" Levi Johnson	Miss. Mission 1867	Founder 1865	" "	1892 Feb. 14.
34	" Anthony Ross	Miss. Mission 1865	Founder 1865	" "	1893 July 11.
35	" Presley Yarborongh	Louisiana 1871	1871	Superannuated	1893
36	" Cortez Thompson	Louisiana 1873	1873	Supernum'rary	1893 Sept. 5.
37	" Sanders S. Wright	Louisiana 1881	1881	Effective Elder	1894 Jan. 19.
38	" John W. Collett	Louisiana 1891	1891	Traveling Deacon	1894 June 18
39	" Perry Hall	Louisiana 1870	1870	Superannuate	1894
40	" Austin Kennedy	Louisiana 1870	1870	" "	1894
41	" Alex. Primus	Louisiana 1873	1873	" "	1895 Jan. 3.
42	" Reese Thompson	Louisiana 1876	1876	" "	1895 Jan. 20.
43	" Simon Evans	Louisiana 1879	1879	Effective Elder	1895 Jan. 28.
44	" Wm. P. Forrest	A. M. E. Church	1869	" "	1895 June 16
45	" Alex. J. Ford	Louisiana 1880	1880	" "	1895 Oct.
46	" Geo. W. Wells	Louisiana 1882	1882	" "	1896 May 31.
47	" James W. Hudson	Louisiana 1878	1878	" "	1896 Aug. 20
48	" Emperor Williams	Founder 1865	Founder 1865	Superannuated	1896 Aug. 25
49	" Stephen Priestly	Louisiana 1870	1870	Effective Elder	1896 Oct. 29.

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CONFERENCE ROLL.

No.	NAME.	APPOINTMENT.	POST OFFICE.
1	Abbott, H. T. O.	Winnsboro	Winnsboro
2	Adkinson, L. G.	Prest. N. O. University	New Orleans
3	Albert, A. E. P.	Vice Prest. Gilbert Academy	Baldwin
4	Amos, W. L.	Cotton Port and Bordelonville	Cotton Port
5	Anderson, Robert	Olivier	Olivier
6	Angrum, C. M.	Stoney Point	Dennis Mill
7	~~Armstead, Samuel~~	Superanuated.	Shreveport
8	Armston, H. C.	Kenner and Hanson City	Kenner
9	Augustus, Julius L.	Opelousas	Opelousas
10	Banks, A. H.	St. Mathew	New Orleans
11	~~Barnes, Chas. C.~~	Supernumerary	Ethel
12	Barrow, R. C.	Woodlawn	Bertie
13	Baptiste, Eugene	Scott Chinn	New Orleans
14	Bell, Samuel	Franklinton and Hayes Creek	Franklinton
15	Benn, Julius	Mandeville and Winans	Mandeville
16	Bibbs, Pompey	Bodcau	Bodcau
17	Bolden, Braxton	Camp Parapet	New Orleans
18	Bowers, Frank D.	Winsted	Baldwin
19	Brown, James O.	Mansfield	Mansfield
20	Bryan, C. D. C.	Minden and Odom	Minden
21	Bryan, James M.	Darrowville	Darrowville
22	Burton, Nelson	Asbury and Algiers Mission	Algiers
23	Butler, Dennis G.	Mt. Zion	New Orleans
24	Butler, Wesley R.	First St. Church	New Orleans
25	~~Carr, Bedford~~	Left without appointment	Woodville, Miss.
26	Carr, Willis	Patoutville	Patoutville
27	Carroll, Sanders	Wilson, Wesley and Norwood	Wilson
28	~~Chapman, Valrour~~	~~P. E.~~ S. N. O. District	New Orleans
29	Chinn, Fletcher T.	P. E. Monroe District	Monroe
30	Clark, Elijah H.	White Hall	Central
31	Clark, Peter W.	Bastrop and Washington	Bastrop
32	Colton, Pleasant C.	Shady Grove	Mansfield
33	~~Conerly, Alex.~~	Supernumerary	Florenville
34	~~Crawford, R. L.~~	Missionary Gulf Mission	Lake Charles
35	Crockett, Charles	Slidell Pearlville	Slidell
36	Daniels, Hubbard	St. Mark	Baton Rouge
37	~~Davage, Samuel~~	Conference Evangelist	New Orleans
38	Davis, Augustus G.	Musson	Musson
39	Davis, Wm.	Malden	New Orleans
40	~~Duncan, Stephen~~	~~P. E. N. N. O. Dist.~~	New Orleans
41	Dyer, Morris J.	Slaughter	Slaughter
42	Ector, Wm.	Allen and St. Paul	Allen
43	Emmett, Wm.	Abbeville	Abbeville
44	Fairfax, Moses T.	Casper	Fouche
45	Fields, Edwards	Jeannerette	Jeannerette
46	Fisher, Jackson F.	Greening and Lake End	Lake End
47	~~Fopp, John~~	Superannuated	DixieCrossRoads
48	Franklin, Moses P.	New Iberia	New Iberia
49	Gair, H. C.	Booneville	Bunkie
50	Gayden, Zachary T.	Crawford and Islands	Crawford
51	Godman, Wm. D.	Prest Gilbert Academy	Baldwin
52	Goins, Edward C.	Plaquemines & India Village	Plaquemines
53	Goins, Milton S.	Campte & Mt. Zion	Campti
54	Gray, Alfred	Vanceville and Benson	Vanceville
55	Harris, Emanuel P.	Ball Town	Ball Town

No.	NAME.	APPOINTMENT.	POST OFFICE.
56	Harris, Wm. S.	Schriever	Shriever
57	Harrison, David	St. Paul and Vincent	Clinton
58	Harrison, Ephraim	Marthaville	Marthaville
59	Harrison, Wm.	Pleasant Hill & St. Matthew	Pleasant Hill
60	~~Hartzell, Joseph C.~~	Bishop of Africa, (Honorary)	
61	Harvey, Frank	Thomson	New Orleans
62	Hason, Shedrock R.	Longstreet	Longstreet
63	Hilton, Abram	Gretna	Gretna
64	Hilton, Jno. W.	St. Charles	Hahnville
65	Hubbard, Berry M.	Napoleonville	Napoleonville
66	~~Hunter, M. H.~~	Left without appointment	Jeannerette
67	Hutcherson, Emerson	Macedonia	Clinton
68	James, Hampton	P. E. Shreveport Dist	Shreveport
69	Johnson, A. J.	Cade and Breaux Bridge	Cade
70	Johnson, Cornelius	Princ. Alexandria Academy	Alexandria
71	Johnson, George	Mt. Sinai	DeSiard
72	Johnson, Joseph	Waxia and Palmetto	Waxia
73	Johnson, Thomas J.	Wesley	Baton Rouge
74	~~Jones, Austin~~	Superannuated	Bastrop
75	Jones, Joseph	Hubertville	Jeannerette
76	Kershaw, Chas. W.	St. Peter	Jeanerette
77	~~King, C. A.~~	Missionary Gulf Mission	Lake Charles
78	Landry, Pierre	Wesley	New Orleans
79	Larkins, Travis	Lake Charles	Lake Charles
80	Lashington, F. M.	St. Peter	Clinton
81	Lewis, James W.	Bayou Rapids & Williamson	Boyce
82	Luster, Allen	Priestley and Jones Creek	Baton Rouge
83	Marshail, Julian F.	Simpson Chapel	New Orleans
84	~~Martin, Alex.~~	Superannuated	New Orleans
85	Mason, Surry A.	Fairfield & Hays	Shreveport
86	Mitchell, Simon	Brownlee	Brownlee
87	Monroe, Charles	Williams	New Orleans
88	Montgomery, Th. G.	Franklin	Franklin
89	Moore, Addison	P. E. Baton Rouge Dist	Baton Rouge
90	Morant, Samuel E.H.	St. James	Shreveport
91	McCary, Thomas	Mallalieu	New Orleans
92	McClellan, Henry A.	Melville and Sumner Chapel	Melville
93	McGlocklin, A. G.	Bedford and Wesley	Bedford
94	Norris, Timothy P.	Coushatta and Mt. Zion	Coushatta
95	Obee, Joshua J.	Pineville	Pineville
96	Osburn, E. W.	St. Charles Ave	New Orleans
97	~~Panelle, Anatole~~	Supernumerary	New Orleans
98	~~Pardee, J. N.~~	Missionary Gulf Mission	Jennings
99	Pharris, Daniel G.	Many and Columbus	Columbus
100	Payne, Geo. A.	Jackson and Argodine	Jackson
101	Pickett, Alfred J.	Washington	Washington
102	Pierre, John H.	Godman	Baldwin
103	Pool, J. D.	Albert Chapel	Zachary
104	Porter, Wm.	Centreville and Verdunville	Centreville
105	Powell, Edward	Chopin and Old River	Chopin
106	Price, David J.	Donaldsonville	Donaldsonville
107	Price, Wm. J. M.	Cheneyville	Cheneyville
108	Proctor, Alex. J.	Lake Providence	Lake Providence
106	Randolph, N. R.	Bunkie	Bunkie
110	Reeves, Chas. W.	St. Martinsville	St. Martinsville
111	~~Reeves, Fred. B.~~	Supernumerary	Kansas City, K.
112	Reddix, Benj. J.	Mt. Carmel	Woodland

No.	NAME.	APPOINTMENT.	POST OFFICE.
113	Richards, Edward B.	Alexandria	Alexandria
114	Richards, Jesse O.	Clinton	Clinton
115	Robertson, James	Grade Cane and Kingston	Grand Cane
115	~~Robidoux, T. J.~~	Missionary Gulf Mission	Crowley
117	Rogers, G. J.	Monroe	Monroe
118	Rylander, J. H.	Conrad	Manchac
119	Scott, Isaac R.	Hartzell Chapel	Rosedale
120	Seals, D. M.	Houma and Dulac	Houma
121	Shallowhorne, C. D.	Thibodaux	Thibodaux
122	Shelby, David	Boyce and Fairmont	Boyce
123	Sorrell, H. A.	Port Allen and Brusly	Port Allen
124	~~Sparks, John~~	Superannuated	Pleasant Hill
125	Taylor, Henry	Union	New Orleans
126	Tillman, Stephen	Lafayette	Lafayette
127	Tircuit, James A.	St. Paul	Shreveport
128	Turner, John W.	Pleasant Plains	New Orleans
129	Venable, Abram	Mt. Nebo	Bastrop
130	Vincent, James A.	Robeline and Mt. Zion	Robeline
131	Walker, Frank	P. E. Alexandria Dist.	Alexandria
132	~~Wallace, Horace~~	Superannuated	Alexandria
133	~~Washington, George~~	Superannuated	Cuba
134	Welch, H. W.	Eola	Eola
135	~~Williams, Hanover O.~~	Superannuated	New Orleans
136	~~Woodson, Chas. R.~~	Missionary Gulf Mission	Baldwin
137	Wright, Cadmus C.	Letsworth and Union	Letsworth
138	Wright, Henry J.	P. E. Natchitoches Dist.	Natchitoches

PROBATIONERS OF THE SECOND YEAR.

1	Boatner, Daniel W.	Haven Chapel	New Orleans
2	Bradford, Cyrus E.	New Roads	New Roads
3	Chinn, Walter S.	Morgan City	Morgan City
4	Clemons, Isaac C.	Natchitoches and Grand Ecore	Natchitoches
5	Craig, Jefferson H.	Rylander	Olive Branch
6	Green, Samuel	St. Luke and Plain View	Magnolia
7	Jackson, Andrew L.	Berwick City	Berwick
8	Thompson, Joseph	Beulah	Ouachita
9	Vital, Joseph	Italian Church	New Orleans
10	Williams, Thomas	Avoca and Rigolets	Rapides
11	Worsham, Robt. C.	Baker and Plank Road	Baker

PROBATIONERS OF THE FIRST YEAR.

1	Brightop, J. D.	Rocky Mount and Serepta	Rocky Mount
2	Dyas, W. C.	Colfax and Cateland	Colfax
3	McKee, John	Flournoy and Fairview	Flournoy

SUPPLIES.

1	Baldwin, M. L.	Sunflower	Sunflower.
2	Brown, T. A	Battieville	Shriever.
3	Calvin, W. C.	Woodworth	Woodworth.
4	Davis, Duke	Labadieville	Labadieville.
5	Davis, John	Island	Island.
6	Frost, F.	Waco	Bosco.
7	Foster, I	Oak Ridge	Oak Ridge.
8	Goldson, A	Delhi	Goshen.
9	Green, L. L.	Rayne and Crowley	Rayne.
10	Harry, H. W.	Lee's Creek	Lee's Creek.

No.	NAME.	APPOINTMENTS.	POST OFFICE.
11	Harrell, William	Asbury	Clinton.
12	Jones, A	Anderson	Bastrop.
13	Jackson, Andrew	Frand Cote and Evergreen	Bunkie.
14	King, Horace	Jennings and Welsh	Jennings.
15	Kyle, A	Morrow	Morrow.
16	Lawhon, M. L	Bonita	Bonita.
17	Miller, J. H.	West Baton Rouge Mission	W. Baton Rouge.
18	McGruder, Sumner	Bayou Goula	Bayou Goula.
19	Moore, Wesley	Abbeville Mission	Abbeville.
20	Narcisse, Paul.	Vioron	Bell Rose.
21	Patterson, J.	Lutcher Circuit	Lutcher.
22	Robinson, H. J	Island	Smithland
23	~~Spears, C.~~	Merrill Chapel and Mt. Zion	Newtonia, Miss.
24	Scott, E. H	St. Patrick and St. James.	St. Patrick.
25	Thomas, Austin	LeCompte and Spring Creek.	LeCompte.
26	Turner, A	Collinston	Collinston.
27	Wilson, O. S	St. Joe	Winnsboro.
28	Watson, Squire	Willow Glenn	Moreland.
29	Walker, W. J	Sorrell and Union	Sorrell.

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APPOINTMENTS.

(The names in *Italics* are Undergraduates. The figures following the names indicate the year of consecutive service in the charge. Charges all within the State of Louisiana.

Alexandria District.

FRANK WALKER 1, Pres. Elder. P. O. Alexandria.

Abbeville.....William Emmet 1
Abbeville Mission..Supplied by Wesley Moore
Alexandria.....E. B. Richards, 1
Avoca and Rigolets..... *Thomas Williams*, 3
Booneville .. ..H. C. Gair, 2
Bunkie. .....N. R. Randolph, 1
Cades and Breaux Bridge ... A. J. Johnson, 2
Cheneyville....W. J. M. Price, 1
Cottonport and Bordelonville.... *W. L. Amos*, 1
Crawford and Islands.... Z. T. Gayden, 2
Eola.....H. W. Welsh, 2
Grand Cote and Evergreen (P.O.Bunkie) Supplied by Andrew Jackson
Hubertville.... ....Joseph Jones, 1
Jeannerette..... .Edward Fields, 1
Jennings and Welsh, Supplied by H. King
Lafayette .....Stephen Tillman, 1
Lake Charles.....Travis Larkins, 3
Lecompte and Spring Creek. .. Supplied by Austin Thomas
Morrow .....Supplied by A. Kyle
New Iberia.....M. P. Franklin, 1
Olivier.....Robert Anderson, 1
Opelousas..... J. L. Augustus, 1
Patoutville..... ....Willis Carr 2
Pineville ... .J. J. Obee, 1
Rayne and Crowley, Supplied by L. L. Green
St. Martinsville..C. W. Reeves, 1
St. Peter (P. O. Jeannerett).... C. W. Kershaw, 2
Sorrell and Union Chapel... Supplied by W. J. Walker
Sunflower... ..Supplied by M. L. Baldwin
Washington and Pleasance.... A. J. Pickett, 4
Waxia and Palmetto.... Joseph Johnson, 3
Willow Glen and Moorland.... Supplied by Squire Watson
Woodworth, Supplied by W. C. Calvin
Cornelius Johnson, Principal Alexandria Academy, Member Alexandria Quarterly Conference.

Baton Rouge District.

ADDISON MOORE 1, Pres. Elder, P. O. Baton Rouge, La.

Albert Chapel (P. O. Zachary) J. D. Pool, 4
Asbury (P. O. Clinton) supply Wm. Harrell
Baker and Plank Road.... *R. C. Worsham*, 1
Baton Rouge, St. Mark, Hubbard Daniels, 4
" Wesley ...T. J. Johnson, 1
Bayou Goula, supply..... Sumner McGruder
Clinton.....*J. O. Richards*, 2
Conrad (P. O. Manchac) J. H. Rylander, 1
Hartzell Chapel, (P. O. Rosedale) .....I. R. Scott, 2
Island, (P. O. Smithland) Supply H. J. Robinson
Jackson and Argodine .... G. A. Payne, 2
Lettsworth and Union Chapel, C. C. Wright, 3
Macedonia (P. O. Clinton), Emerson Hutcherson, 2
Melville and Sumner Chapel, *H. A. McLellan*, 2
Merrill Chapel and Mt. Zion, (P. O. Newtonia, Miss.) Supply C. Spears
Mount Carmel (P. O. Woodland) B. J. Reddix, 1
Musson Circuit .....A. G. Davis, 2
New Roads....*C. E. Bradford*, 3
Plaquemine and Indian Village.....E. C. Goins, 2
Port Allen and Brusly, H. A. Sorrell, 1
Priestly and Jones Creek, (P. O. Baton Rouge).....A. Luster
Rylander (P. O. Olive Branch) *J. H. Craig*, 2
Slaughter.....M. J. Dyer, 1

St. Lukes and Pleasentview (P.O. Magnolia).....*Samuel Green*, 3
St. Paul and Vincent (P. O. Clinton)....*David Harrison*, 1
St. Peter (P. O. Clinton)..... F. M. Lashington, 1
Stony Point.....C. M. Angrum, 2
Wilson, Wesley & Norwood, Sanders Carroll, 1
West Baton Rouge Mission..... supply J. H. Miller

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Monroe District.

F. T. CHINN 5, Pres. Elder.
P. O. Monroe.

Anderson (P. O. Bastrop,) Supplied by A. Jones
Bastrop and Washington, P. W. Clark, 2
Beulah (P. O. Ouachita) *J. H. Thompson*, 1
Bonita.. Supplied by M. L. Lawhon
Casper (P. O. Fouche) M. J. Fairfax, 1
Collinston....Supplied by A. Turner
Delhi (P. O. Goshen), Supplied by A. Gouldson
Lake Providence... A. J. Proctor, 1
Monroe ... ... G. J. Rogers, 3
Mount Nebo (P. O. Bastrop), A. B. Venable 3
Mount Sinai (P. O. DeSiard), George Johnson, 2
Oak Ridge. ..Supplied by I. Foster
St. Joe (P. O. Winsboro), Supplied by O. S. Wilson
Waco (P. O. Bosco) Supplied by F. Frost
Winsboro..... H. T. O. Abbott, 1

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Natchitoches District.

H. J. WRIGHT, 5, Pres. Elder.
P. O. Natchitoches.

Allen and St. Paul....Wm. Ector 1
Alpha and Pine Grove, To be Supplied
Bayou Rapides and Williamson, J. W. Lewis, 2
Bedford and Wesley, Alfred McLocklin, 4
Boyce and Fairmount, David Shelby, 1
Campte and Mount Zion, M. S. Goins, 3
Cane River and St. Maurice, (P. O. Natchitoches), To be Suplied.
Chopin and Old River, Edward Powell, 1
Colfax and Cateland, *W. L. Dugas*, 1
Coushatta and Mount Zion, *I. P. Norris*, 1
Greening and Lake End, *J. F. Fisher*, 1
Many and Columbus, *D. G. Pharris*, 1
Marthaville.....Ephraim Harrison, 1
Natchitoches and Grand Ecoe, *I. C. Clemons*, 1
Pleasant Hill and St. Matthew, William Harrison, 5
Robeline and New Town, J. A. Vincent, 1

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New Orleans Central District.

L. G. ADKINSON, P. E.
5318 St. Charles Avenue, N. O.

Hammond ....To be Supplied
New Orleans:
City Mission.....To be Supplied
French Church....To be Supplied
Italian Church.....*Joseph Vital*, 2
St. Charles Ave.....E. W. Osburn, 3
L. G. Adkinson, President N. O. University.

New Orleans North District.

STEPHEN DUNCAN, 2, P. Elder.
P. O. 7301, Burthe St., N. O.

Asbury and Algiers Mission, Nelson Burton, 1
Balltown.....E. P. Harris, 1
Darrowville.....J. M. Bryan, 1
Franklinton and Hayes Creek, Samuel Bell 2
Gretna.....Abram Hilton, 1
Kenner and Hanson City, H. C. Armston, 2
Lutcher Circuit, Supplied by... J. A. Patterson
Lee's Creek, Supplied by..... H. W. Harry
Mandeville and Winans, Julius Benn, 2
Nashua and Lower Coast, To be Supplied
New Orleans:
Malden..... .. Wiliam Davis, 1
Mount Zion.....D. G. Butler, 1
Pleasant Plains.....J. W. Turner, 1
St. Matthew.....A. H. Banks, 1

Scott Chinn....Eugene Baptiste, 2
Thomson.....Frank Harvey, 1
Union.....Henry Taylor, 2
Wesley.....Pierre Landry, 1
Pontchatoula and Springfield,
To be Supplied
St. Charles (P. O. Hahnville)
J. W. Hilton, 1
St. John (P. O. Edgard),
D. G. Taylor, 2
Slidell and Pearlville,
Charles Crockett, 1
Whitehall (P, O. Central)
E. H. Clark, 1
Samuel Davage, 1, Evangelist, Member of St. Paul Quarterly Conference, Shreveport.

New Orleans South District.

VALCOUR CHAPMAN, 1.
Presiding Elder.

Beattieville, (P. O. Schriever),
Supplied by T. A. Brown
Berwick City.....*A. L. Jackson*, 2
Camp Parapet (P. O., N. O.,)
Braxton Bolden, 1
Centreville and Verdunville,
William Porter, 1
Donaldsonville.....D. J. Price, 1
Franklin.....T. G. Montgomery, 1
Godman (P. O. Baldwin,)
J. H. Pierre, 2
Houma and Dulac.....D. M. Seals, 2
Island.....Supplied by John Davis
Labadieville, Supplied by.....
Duke Davis
Morgan City.....*W. S. Chinn*, 1
Napoleonville.....B. M. Hubbard 1
New Orleans:
First Street.....W. R. Butler, 4
Haven.....*D. W. Boatner*, 1
Mallalieu.....Thomas McCary, 1
Simpson.....J. F. Marshall, 1
University.....To be Supplied
Williams.....Charles Monroe, 2
Shriever.....W. S. Harris, 2
St. Patrick and St. James Station.....Supplied by E. H. Scott
Thibodaux.....C. D. Shallowhorne, 1
Vioron (P. O. Belle Rose).....
Supplied by Paul Narcisse
Winsted (P. O. Balwin)
F. D. Bowers, 4
Woodlawn (P. O. Bertie),
R. C. Barrow, 3
W. D. Godman, President, A. E. P. Albert, 2, Vice President, Gilbert Academy, Members Winsted Quarterly Conference.

Shreveport District.

HAMPTON JAMES, 2, P. E.
P. O. Shreveport.

Bodcau.....*Pompey Gibbs*, 3
Brownlee.....Simon Mitchell, 2
Fairfield and Hayes, (P. O. Shreveport).....*S. A. Mason*, 3
Flournoy and Fair View,
John McKee, 1
Grand Lake and Kingston,
James Robertson, 2
Homer and Gibbs....To be Supplied
Longstreet.....S. R. Hason, 2
Mansfield.....*J. O. Brown* 3
Minden and Odom, C. D. C. Bryan, 1
Rocky Mount and Serepta,
J. D. Brightop, 1
Round Grove and Mooring Port,
(P. O. Shreveport) To be Supplied
Shady Grove (P. O. Mansfield)
P. C. Colton, 2
Shreveport: St. James,.....
S. E. H. Morant, 1
" St. Paul,.....
J. A. Tircuit, 2
Vanceville and Benson,.....
Alfred Gray, 2

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

The Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held in Donaldsonville, La., January 13-19, 1897. Bishop Walden presiding; A. E. Albert, Secretary. Post office of Secretary, Gilbert Academy, Baldwin, La.

QUESTION 1st. *Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?*

None.

Question 2d. *Who have been readmitted?*

None.

Question 3d. *Who have been Received on Credentials, and rom what Churches?*

None.

Question 4th. *Who have been received on Trial?*

(*a*) In Studies of First Year—John D. Brightop, John McKee—2.

(*b*) In Studies of Third Years—None.

Question 5. *Who have been continued on Trial?*

(*a*) In Studies of First Year—Jefferson H. Craig—I.

(*b*) In Studies of Second Year—Joseph Vital, Daniel W. Boatner, Joseph Thompson, Andrew L. Jackson, Samuel Green, Cyrus E. Bradford, Thomas Williams, Robt. C. Worsham, Daniel G. Taylor—9.

(*c*) In Studies of Third Year—Isaac C. Clemons, Walter S. Chinn—2.

(*d*) In Studies of Fourth Year—None.

Question 6th. *Who have been Discontinued?*

Arthur A. Lacey, John P. Bayliss, at his own request, Hernando Daniels, at his own request, James C. Orcutt; at his own request, Horace King—5.

Question 7th. *Who have been Admitted into Full Membership?*—None.

(*b*) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously—Timothy P. Norris, Jesse A. Richard, James A. Brown, Surry A. Mason, Wm. L. Amos—5.

Question 8th. *What Members are in Studies of Third Year?*

Timothy P. Norris, Jesse A. Richards, James A. Brown, Surry A. Mason, Wm. L. Amos—5.

(*b*) Admitted into Full Membership previously—Alex. Conerly, Hanover A. Williams, Jackson F. Fisher, Calvin M. Angrum, Pompey Bibbs, '96, Edward Powell, Bedford Carr, James W. Lewis—8.

Question 9th. *What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?*

Henry A. McClellan, Daniel G. Pharris, *Cornelius Johnson, David Harrison—4.

Question 10th. *What Members have Completed the Conference Course of Study?*

(*a*) Elected and Ordained Elder this year—Wm. Porter—1.

(*b*) Elected and Ordained Elders previously—None.

Question 11th. *What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?*

(*a*) As Local Preacher—Isaac C. Clemons—1.

(*b*) Under Missionary Rule—None.

Question 12th. *What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?*

(*a*) As Local Deacons—Cornelius Johnson—1.

(*b*) Under Missionary Rule—None.

Question 13th. *Was the Character of each Preacher examined?*

Yes, in open Conference as their names were called.

The cases of M. H. Hunter and Cyrus E. Bradford were referred to their Presiding Elders for investigation.

* Passed in all his Studies.

Question 14th. *Who have been Transferred and to what Conferences?*

J. H. Burger, to Gulf Mission Conference—1.

Question 15th. *Who have died?*

George W. Wells, Emperor Williams, James W. Hudson, Stephen Priestly—4.

Question 16th. *Who have been Located at their own Request?*

None.

Question 17th. *Who have been Located?*—None.

Question 18th. *Who have Withdrawn?*—None.

Question 19th. *Who have been permitted to withdraw under Charges or Complaints?*—None.

Question 20. *Who have been Expelled?*

Hiram C. Wilson was deposed from the Ministry and expelled from the Church—1.

Question 21. *What other personal Notation should be made?*

J. D. Small and James F. Goings from the A. M. E. Church were recognized as Deacons—2.

Question 22. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

Anatolle Panelle, Alex. Conerly, Charles Barnes, Jackson F. Fisher.—4.

Question 23. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

Hanover A. Williams, George Washington, John Sparks, Horace Wallace, Austin Jones, John Fopp, Samuel Armstead, Frederick Reeves, Alex. Martin—9.

Question 24. *Who are the Triers of Appeals?*

E. W. Osburn, J. A. Tircuit, A. J. Pickett, J. H. Rylander, Henry Taylor, T. J. Johnson, J. J. Obee—7.

Question 25. *What is the Statistical Report for this year?*

MEMBERSHIP—

No. of Probationers	1405
No. of full members	12410
No. of local preachers	516
No. of deaths	355

BAPTISMS—

No. of children baptized	1555
No. of adults baptized	803

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS—

No. of schools	209
No. of officers and teachers	1122
No. of scholars of all ages	11705

CHURCH PROPERTY—

No. of churches, 206; probable value	$346,940
No. of parsonages 97; probable value	37,524
Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages	13,952
Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property	7,723
Present indebtedness on Church Property	28,577

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS—

For Missions—From Churches	$ 722
" " " Sunday Schools	306
Total	$1,028
For Sunday School Union	97
" Tract Society	80
" Freedmens Aid & Southern Education Society	574
" Education—Public Education	28
" " Children's Fund	102
" American Bible Society	34
" Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	12
" " Home Missionary Society	59

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT—

For Pastors, House Rent, Presiding Elder and Bishops	45,590
" Conference Claimants	383

(For details see Statistical Tables.)

Question 26. *What is the Aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer?*—$3085.

Question 27. *What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?* Not answered.

Question 28. *What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been Applied?*—$1290. See Steward's Report.

Question 29 *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*—See Appointments.

Question 30. *Where shall the Next Conference be held?* Franklin, La.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA.,
Wednesday, January 13, 1896.

The Twenty-Ninth Session of the Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church opened in St. Peter M. E Church, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Presiding Bishop: Bishop John M. Walden, D. D., LL. D., was present as presiding Bishop.

The Opening Religious Services were conducted by the Bishop.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Presiding Elders and the Rev. Drs. W. A. Spencer, M. C. B. Mason, and A. E. P. Albert.

Roll Call.—The Secretary of the last session of the Conference called the roll, and the following were present, viz :

FULL MEMBERS.

Abbott, H. T. O.	Bibbs, Pompey	Carroll, Sanders
Albert A. E. P.	Bowers, F. D.	Chapman, Valcour
Armston, H. C.	Bryan, C. D. C.	Chinn, F. T.
Augustus, Julius	Bryan, James M.	Clark, E. H.
Banks, A. H.	Burton, Nelson	Clark, P. W.
Baptiste, Eugene	Butler, D. G.	Colton, P. C.
Benn, Julius	Butler, W. R.	Crockett, Chas. D.

Daniels, Hubbard	James, Hampton	Payne, Geo. A.
Davis, Augustus G.	Johnson, A. J.	Pickett, A. J.
Davis, Wm.	Johnson, Cornelius	Pierre, J. H.
Duncan, Stephen	Johnson, George	Pool, J. D.
Dyer, M. J.	Johnson, Joseph	Porter, Wm.
Ector, Wm.	Johnson, T. J.	Price, D. J.
Emmett, Wm.	Jones, Austin	Price, W. J. M.
Fairfax, M. T.	Jones, Joseph	Proctor, A. J.
Fields, Edward	Landry, Pierre	Randolph, Neptune
Franklin, M. P.	Lashington, F. M.	Reeves, C. W.
Gair, H. C.	Lewis, James W.	Reddix, B. J.
Gayden, Z. T.	Luster, Allen	Richards, E. B.
Goins, E. C.	Marshall, J. F.	Rogers, G. J.
Goins, M. S.	Moore, Addison	Rylander, J. H.
Gray, Alfred	Monroe, Charles	Scott, I. R.
Harrison, E. P.	Montgomery, T. G.	Shallowhorne, C. D.
Harris, Wm. S.	Morant, S. E. H.	Shelby, David
Harrison, David	McCary, Thomas	Taylor, Henry,
Harrison, Ephraim	McClellan, H. A.	Tircuit, J. A.
Harvey, Frank	McGlockin, A. G.	Turner, J. W.
Hilton, Abram	Mitchell, Simon	Vincent, J. A.
Hilton, J. W.	Obee, J. J.	Walker, Frank
Hubbard, B. M.	Osburn, E. W.	Wilson, H. C.
Hutcherson, E.	Pharris, D. G.	Wright, H, J.—93.

PROBATIONERS OF THE SECOND YEAR.

Amos, W. L.	Clemons, Isaac C.	Norris, Timothy P.
Brown, James A.	Lacey, Arthur A.	Richards, Jesse O.
Chinn, W. S.	Mason, Surry A.	Taylor, Daniel G.—9.

PROBATIONERS OF THE FIRST YEAR.

Bayliss, J. P.	Craig, J. H.	Vital, Joseph
Boatner, D. W.	Jackson, Andrew L.	Williams, Thomas
Bradford, C. E.	Thompson, Joseph	Worsham, R. C.—9.

Deceased.—James W. Hudson, Stephen Priestly, George W. Wells, and Emperor Williams had died during the year.

Organization.—*Secretary*: A. E. P. Albert was nominated for Secretary, and there being no other nomination, he was unanimously elected by a *viva voce* vote.

Assistant Secretaries.—The following assistant secretaries nominated by the Secretary, were elected: D. J. Price, W. R. Butler, F. D. Bowers, J. D. Pool, and Henry Taylor.

Railroad Secretaries.—E. H. Clark and C. W. Reeves.

Statistical Secretary.—Thomas McCary and J. J. Obee were nominated.

Thos. McCary received 53 votes, J. J. Obee 29, Scattering 2, and Thos. McCary was declared elected.

Assistant Statistical Secretaries.—B. M. Hubbard, A. J. Proctor, W. S. Harris, W. J. M. Price, W. S. Chinn, I. C. Clemons were elected Assistant Statistical Secretaries on Statistical Secretary's nomination.

Treasurer.—Valcour Chapman was elected Treasurer by acclamation.

Assistant Treasurers.—Z. T. Gayden and J. A. Tircuit were elected Assistant Treasurers.

The Time of Meeting and Adjournment were fixed, to meet at 8 a. m., one half-hour to be devoted to religious exercises, and of ajournment at 12:30 p. m.

The Conference Bar was fixed so as to extend from the pulpit to the further side of sixth row of seats.

Standing Committees.—The following Committees, nominated by the Presiding Elders, were appointed, viz.:—

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.

ON FREEDMAN'S AID AND SOUTHERN EDUCATION AND BOARD OF EDUCATION.—Z. T. Gayden, A. G. Davis, T. P. Norris, J. J. Obee, L. G. Adkinson, T. J. Johnson, D. J. Price, J. A. Tircuit, C. D. Shallowhone, A. E. P. Albert.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRACTS.—E. C. Goins, P. W. Clark, A. G. McGlocklin, E. Baptiste, C. Moore, E. W. Osburn, Simon Mitchell.

ON TEMPERANCE.—H. Taylor, G. A. Payne, J. W. Turner, G. J. Rogers, Wm. Harris, B. Bolden, D. G. Butler, R. C. Barrow, B. M. Hubbard.

PUBLIC WORSHIP.—P. Landy and C. D. Shallowhone.

CONFERENCE STEWARDS.—Officers and Managers of the Preacher's Aid Society.

WOMAN'S HOME AND F. M. MISSION SOCIETY.—A. H. Banks, A. Moore, A. B. Venable, M. J. Dyer, S. R. Hason, E. H. Clark, F. Walker.

AUDITING PRESIDING ELDER'S ACCOUNTS.—Ed. Fields, B. J. Reddix, H. C. Armston.

ON MEMOIRS.—H. J. Wright, A. E. P. Albert, J. A. Tircuit, S. Duncan.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS.—E. B. Richards, J. H. Rylander, G. J. Rogers, M. S. Goins, S. Davage, F. Harvey, J. W. Hilton, A. Gray.

BOOK ACCOUNTS.—Wm. Porter.

ON BIBLE CAUSE.—A. J. Pickett, H. Daniels, Geo. Johnson, D. Shelby, N. Burton, J. H. Pierre, F. D. Bowers, P. Bibbs.

ON CHURCH EXTENSION.—H. Taylor, W. J. M. Price, D. G. Pharris, A. J. Proctor, M. P. Franklin, A. Hilton, T. McCary, J. O. Brown.

ON OLD MINUTES ACCOUNTS.—C. D. Crockett, A. E. A. Albert, J. Augustus, Wm. Emmett, P. W. Clark, M. T. Fairfax, D. Taylor, S. Bell, S. Carroll.

ON OLD FOLK'S HOME.—J. A. Tircuit, H. Taylor, W. R. Butler, R. Hutcherson, V. Chapman, P. C. Colton, H. J. Wright, A. E. P. Albert.

ON ORPHAN'S HOME.—S. Duncan, J. F. Marshall, D. J. Price, A. E. P. Albert, F. T. Chinn, H. Taylor, V. Chapman, L. G. Adkinson, W. R. Butler, P. Landry, H. James.

GOSPEL IN ALL LANDS.—C. W. Reeves, E. B. Richards.

ON PERIODICALS.—H. McClellan, B. M. Hubbard, J. D. Pool, H. T. O. Abbott, D. M. Seals, E. W. Osburn.

ON RESOLUTIONS.—W. J. Price, A. Luster, Wm. Davis, D. J. Price, Wm. Porter.

Committee on Missions and Missionary Cause.—The Conference requested the Presiding Elders to nominate Committees on Missions and Missionary cause.

Introductions.—The following visitors were introduced: Rev. Drs. W. A. Spencer, Corresponding Secretary of ihe Board of Church Extension, M. C. B. Mason, Corresponding Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, and Rev. Nathan Chambers, Baptist, and H. C. John.

Dr. Spencer's Address,—Dr. Spencer addressed the Conference in behalf of the cause he represents.

Complimentory to Dr. Spencer.—The following was adopted:

Resolved, That we have been greatly helped and inspired by the presence and address of the Rev. W. A. Spencer, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, that we rejoice in the marvelous results that have been achieved by his Board; that we pray God's blessing upon him and his work, and that we shall ever consider it a favor to have him visit us.

A. E. P. ALBERT,
F. T. CHINN.

Dr. Mason's Address.—The Rev. M. C. B. Mason, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, addressed the Conference in behalf of the Society he represents.

The following letter from Bishop Hartzell was read and ordered spead upon our Minutes, viz:

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE:

I send you greeting and love from near the coast of Wales, *en route* to Africa; instead of being present to answer at roll call when you meet Jan. 14, 1897, at Donaldsonville. Our ship is at anchor for the night under the protection of a headland in the Irish Channel, while the storm howls. We left Liverpool this noon and the indications of a very severe storm have been abundant in the open sea beyond, so the captain concluded to cast anchor here and wait at least till to-morrow morning. The gale is from the southwest and it is cold. How often does our great

Captain, Jesus Christ, shelter us individually as His children, under His protecting wing, while the pittiless storms howl just ahead in our pathway!

My call to Africa was the greatest surprise of my life, but I have come to feel more and more fully that the call was of the Lord, "I will say of my Lord, He is my refuge, my fortress, my end, in Him will I trust."

Prof. Camphor and his wife are with me and are full of hope and gladly go to the Dark Continent at the call of the church. Dr. Fowler, of Michigan, is also one of our party and goes to organize and superintend a hospital in Mourovia, so there are four of us. My hope is that soon that many scores of equally faithful and true souls may be on their way from our land to Africa.

My trip down the west coast will now take us as far south as Angola, and later my journeying will take me through South Africa, and up the east coast and round again to Liberia. Do not fail to remember me and all our missionaries in Africa in your prayers.

May the blessing of God abide gloriously upon you as a Conference and upon all of you individually. Many of the dear old brethern have gone to their reward! Chinn, Green, Ross, Osborne, Murrell the Haywards, and later Williams, Hudson and Priestly and many others have entered into rest. We know not who of us will go next, but it matters little if only our work is well and faithfully done. It comes to me at times that my body may have its final resting place somewhere in Africa. No matter if that is God's will. The campaign to save Africa is on, and will continue until victory is complete, no matter how many be called upon to give their lives in the holy crusade.

Your Brother in Christ,

J. C. HARTZELL.

Complimentary to Bishop Hartzell. Bishop Walden here made some highly complimentary remarks in reference to Bishop Hartzell, after which the following paper was by a rising vote unanimously adopted:

Whereas, For the first time in twenty-five years the seat of

Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., as a member of the Louisiana Conference M. E. Church, is vacant; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the circumstance which has created this great void in our assembly—the elevation of our beloved companion, councellor and leader, to the high and responsible position of a bishop for Africa alone furnishes a meed of consolation for his absence from our midst.

Resolved, That while we deplore the severance of Bishop Hartzell's immediate relations with our conference, we look with pride upon the promotion accorded him by the Church in whose service he has been ever zealous and true, and we express to the General Conference our deep sense of gratitude for this recognition of the merit and worth of our cherished friend and adviser.

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop and Secretary be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to Bishop Hartzell and that the same be spread upon our minutes as a part of this day's proceedings and furnished to the press.

SIGNED:

Pierre Landry,	Charles Monroe,	H. J. Wright,
C. D. Shallowhorne,	D. J. Price,	W. R. Butler,
J. F. Marshall,	S. Duncan,	T. J. Johnson,
S. E. H. Morant,	F. T. Chinn,	Henry Taylor,

Bishop Fowler's absence. Bishop Walden explained in the most inspiring manner the cause of Bishop Fowler's absence, and his consequent failure to hold the Conference as was expected. He was attending by special request an interdenominational Missionary meeting in New York City, which was deemed of the greatest importance.

Order of the Day. The consideration of constitutional questions was made the order of the day for Friday, at 10 a. m.

Announcements and Adjournment. The announcements were made and the Conference adjoined with the benediction by Dr. Spencer.

SECOND DAY.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA.,
Thursday, January 14, 1897.

The second day's session opened at 8:30 o'clock, a. m. with Bishop Walden in the chair.

The Religious Exercises were conducted by the Rev. Charles Monroe.

The Following Absentees, that were not present at yesterday's session answered the roll call, viz: L. G. Adkinson, C. M. Angrum, Samuel Bell, Samuel Davage, Wm. Harris, S. R. Hason, Cornelius Johnson, D. M. Seals, Stephen Tillman, Abram Venable, H. W. Welch, C. C. Wright, J. O. Brown and Samuel Green.

Examination of Characters. The Thirteenth Question was taken up, and the following presiding elders reported their work and their character passed, viz: Pierre Landry, New Orleans South District, and S. E. H. Morant, Alexandria, District.

Introductions. The following visitors were introduced: Mayor Paul Leche, Aldermen A. D. Vega and L. E. Bentley, who also represents the Times-Democrat; Sheriff S. H. St. Martin, Clerk of Court Frederick Landry, and Capt. Edmund Marvin, representing the New Orleans Picayune, and Rev. A. C. Cotton, of the Baptist Church.

Addresses of Welcome. MAYOR LECHE'S ADDRESS. His Honor, the Mayor, of Donaldsonville, the Hon. Paul Leche, after being given an ovation by the Conference, delivered the following address of welcome, which was unanimously ordered to be spread upon the minutes, viz:

Mr. President reverend ministers and gentlemen of the Conference:

One of the most pleasant duties that has devolved upon me

since I have had the honor to be put at the head of the government of this flourishing little city, I am now about to perform.

For a long time and especially of late years, there has grown in this community an influence which has worked wonders in the moral and social improvement of our colored population. As a public official, in full accord with our great American principle of "separation of Church and State" I look upon it not from its religious aspect but simply from its efficiency as a promoter of the welfare of our social organization. This good influence which is enlightening man and training him to a proper sense and appreciation of his duties towards his own kind is now being exercised with most gratifying results by this humble little church. The exemplary conduct and behavior of the good ministers who have been in charge of this congregation and the wholesome doctrine and principles which they have preached from this pulpit have borne fruit. This beautiful little building is but one of the evidences of what I am telling you. To be a member in good standing of the St. Peter Methodist Episcopal Church has come to be regarded as a badge of good and useful citizenship; and this is why gentlemen, my duty to-day is pleasant—pardon me for it but I am proud of being able to tell you these things, though only feeble expressions of well deserved commendation.

I understand that you, eminent divines, reverend ministers and gentlemen have assembled here to-day to deliberate upon the great work which you have undertaken in all parts of our southern land. You have deemed it proper to hold your Conference in our midst, you have thereby conferred a well merited honor upon the pastor and congregation of the St. Peter M. E. Church, and the good people of our little city appreciate it and thank you for it. It is indeed a most agreeable duty for me to greet you here to-day; that your short stay among us may be most pleasant and that your deliberations may be fruitful of the best results is the earnest wish of every citizen of Donaldsonville.

HON. L. E. BENTLEY'S ADDRESS. The Hon. L. E. Bentley as an alderman of the city and Police Juror of the Parish of Ascension, welcomed the Conference to the City and Parish.

Bishop Walden Responds. At the request of the Confer-

ence, Bisoop Walden delivered an inspiring address in response to the very cordial welcome extended to the Conference by his Honor, Mayor Leche and Alderman Bentley.

Complimentary to Mayor Leche, et als. The Conference adopted resolutions in appreciation of the welcome extended by his Honor Mayor Leche and the City and Parish officials accompanying him. (See Resolutions.)

Examination of Characters. The Thirteenth Question was resumed and J. F. Marshall, of the Baton Rouge District, being sick and absent, did not report, L. G. Adkinson, of the New Orleans Central District; F. T. Chinn, of the Monroe District; and H. J. Wright, of the Natchitoches District, reported their work and their characters passed.

A Committee on Missionary Cause was appointed as follows, viz: E. W. Osburne, J. W. Turner, P. W. Clark, Henry Taylor, W. R. Butler, J. A. Tircuit.

A Statistical Session was ordered for 2 o'clock, P. M., and a Pentecostal service for 4 o'clock, P. M.

A Missionary Session was ordered for 7:30 o'clock, P. M., when the Missionary Sermon would be preached by Rev. J. A. Tircuit.

Announcements and Adjournment. Announcements were made and Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

SECOND DAY.

STATISTICAL SESSION.

Dr. Adkinson Presiding. The Conference opened in Statistical Session at 2 o'clock, P. M., with the Rev. L. G. Adkinson, D. D.; in the chair, by appointment of the Bishop.

The Religious Exercises were conducted by the Rev. A. H. Banks.

Roll Call. The roll was called, and all the charges reported their Statistics.

Adjournment. The call having been concluded, the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Rev. L. G. Adkinson, D. D.

SECOND DAY.

MISSIONARY SESSION.

Conference convened in Missionary Session at 7:30 p. m. to hear the missionary sermon. Revs. M. P. Franklin, and Thos. McCary, conducted the opening religious services.

The Missionary Sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Tircuit, Rev. Henry Taylor being sick.

The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Henry Taylor.

THIRD DAY.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA.,
Friday, January 15, 1897.

The third day's session convened at 8:30 o'clock, a. m., with Bishop Walden in the chair.

The Devotional Exercises were conducted by the Rev. C. W. Reeves.

Approval of the Minutes. The minutes of the second day's sessions were read and approved.

The Bishop Addressed the Conference, upon the subject of the order of Public Worship as ordered by the General Conference, and published in the Discipline.

A Letter from Dr. T. W. Smith, Missionary Secretary, expressing regret that he could not meet us as he intended, was read.

Examination of Character. The Thirteenth Question was resumed, and Stephen Duncan, of the North New Orleans, and H. James, of the Shreveport Districts, reported their work, and their characters passed.

State of the Church. The Bishop here took occasion to address the Conference upon the state of work in Louisiana and gave many valuable directions for the more efficient prosecution of our work in the future.

Constitutional Questions. The order of the day, the consideration of Constitutional Questions, was taken up, with the following results, viz:

For equal Lay and Ministerial Representation . . 2
Against 81

TELLERS. Pending the vote on Eligibility the following tellers were appointed, viz: J. J. Obee, Henry Taylor and J. W. Turner.

Eligibility. The vote on Eligibility was taken with the following results:

For admission of women.....47
Against 52

Introductions. The following visitors were introduced, viz: C. C. Morse, Esq., Business Manager of the Southwestern Christian Advocate; Rev. Moses Vincent, of the Baptist Church and L. R. Price, Esq., of New Orleans.

Mr. Morse's Address. Mr. Morse addressed the Conference in behalf of the Southwestern Christian Advocate.

A Collection of $6.10 was taken to pay for medical services for sick brethren.

Examination of Character. The Thirteenth Question was resumed, and the following elders reported their work and their characters passed, viz: G. J. Rogers, A. Venable, George Johnson, M. T. Fairfax, Alfred McGlocklin, J. W. Lewis, David Shelby, J. J. Obee, H. C. Gair, Ephraim Harrison, A. J. Pickett, Joseph Jones, J. W. Turner, Stephen Tillman, Joseph Johnson, J. A. Vincent, H. W. Welch, Z. T. Gayden, J. L. Augustus, A. H. Banks, Wm. Harrison, Joseph Johnson, N. R. Randolph, E. W. Osburn, Braxton Bolden, Edward Fields, Samuel Bell, Frank Harvey, H C. Armston, Nelson Burton, Julius Benn, Wm. Davis, T. G. Montgomery, D. G. Butler, Eugene Baptiste, Henry Taylor, T. J. Johnson, Abram Hilton, E. H. Clark, J. M. Bryan, Samuel Davage.

Case of F. M. Lashington. Presiding Elder, F. T. Chinn, reported that F. M. Lashington had been suspended by a committee, and his case was referred to a select number of thirteen for trial.

The Select Number was appointed as follows: Charles Monroe, R. C. Barrow, Henry Taylor, T. J. Johnson, D. M. Seals, D. G. Butler, Wm. Harrison, Sanders Carroll, Charles

Crokett, Eugene Baptiste, B. M. Hubbard, Edward Fields and C. W. Reeves.

The Bishop designated T. G. Montgomery as chairman, and J. D. Pool was detailed as secretary of the court.

Counsels. M. P. Franklin was appointed as counsel for the Church, and J. J. Obee was recognized as counsel for the accused.

The Papers in the Case were passed over by the secretary to chairman T. G. Montgomery.

Preachers Aid Society. The Conference resolved itself into the Preachers' Aid Society with Bishop Walden in the chair.

The society then adjourned to hold its Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 16th, at 9 a. m.

The Conference Resumed its work.

The Time for Meeting and Adjourning was changed from 8:30 a. m. to 9 a. m. for meeting and from 12 m. to 12:30 p. m. for adjourning.

Certificate of Examination emanating from any of our recognized institutions of learning to any of our young men in the courses of studies, were discussed, and it was ordered that our Examining Committees be authorized to recognize them, in accordance with the provisions of the Discipline.

Communication Referred. Communication from various Benevolent Societies and Boards were handed in by the Bishop and they were referred to their appropriate Committees.

Bishop Hartzell an Honorary Member. The Conference unanimously ordered that the name of Bishop Hartzell be kept on our roll as an Honorary Member of the Louisiana Conference.

Committee on Old Folks Home. A. E. P. Albert, was added to the Committee on the Lafon Old Folks Home.

Apportionments. The Bishop announced that our apportionment for Missions was $1,253 and for the Episcopal Fund $503, which with the other benevolent apportionments the Pre-

siding Elders were authorized to apportion to their districts and charges.

Introduction and Address. Miss Hickman superintendent of Peck Memorial Home was introduced and addressed the Conference in behalf of that Institution.

Absent and Excused. The following being members of the Gulf Mission Conference, being absent were excused, viz: C. A. King, C. K. Woodson, R. L. Crawford, P. J. Robidaux; I. N. Pardee and I. H. Burger.

Their Presiding Elders reported that the following could not get the means to come to Conference, and they were excused viz: Robt. Anderson, Travis Larkins, C. W. Kershaw and Willis Carr.

Case of H. C. Wilson. Presiding Elder Morant reported that Hiram C. Wilson had been suspended by a committee, and a select number was appointed to try the case as follows, viz:

A. H. Banks, E. W. Osburn, D. G. Pharris, M. S. Goins, S. R. Hason, David Shelby, J. W. Hilton, Pompey Bibbs, W. R. Butler, E. H. Clark, Addison Moore, Samuel Davage, Wm. Porter. The Bishop appointed Z. T. Gayden as chairman and F. D. Bowers was detailed as secretary of the court. J. A. Tircuit was appointed as counsel for the Church, and Thomas McCary was recognized as counsel for the accused.

The Papers in the Case were delivered by the secretary to chairman Gayden.

Announcement and Adjournment. Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA.,
Saturday, January 16, 1897.

The Fourth Day's Session opened at 9 o'clock A. M., with Bishop Walden in the Chair.

The Religious Exercises were conducted by the Rev. Frank Harvey.

Approval of Minutes Deferred. The Minutes of yesterday's session were presented, but their approval deferred pending their correction.

Introductions. The Rev. Lewis Curts, D. D., Senior Publishing Agent of the Western Methodist Book Concern was introduced.

Book Concern and Chartered Fund Dividends. The Bishop presented a draft of $1,132 from the Book Concern, and one of $22 from the Chartered Funds which were ordered.

Old Minute Account. Dr. Curts having proposed to cancel the debt of $118.40 due the Western Methodist Book Concern on Old Minutes, if the Conference would collect all it could toward the debt now, and would appropriate $50 of its Book Concern Dividend toward the liquidation of that debt; a collecrion of $58.40 was taken and the $50 were appropriated; whereupon Dr. Curts gave the Conference a clear receipt for the whole debt.

Complaints Referred. Complaints against P. W. Clark, Cornelius Johnson, A. G. Davis, A. A. Lacy and M. C. Harrison, involving debts and business transactions were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Letter from Dr. Godman. The following letter from

the Rev. W. D. Godman, D. D. was read and ordered spread upon our Minutes, viz:

TO THE BISHOP AND MEMBERS OF THE LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

Another year has been added to the roll of the *past*, since my last communication. *A New Year* has been given us for the honor of Him whom it is our honor to serve. I wish you all a happy New Year in this imperial service.

It does not become me to multiply words. But I understand it to be my duty to keep you informed of my health and of my work. I am striving to get the means to finish our new Chapel. At present, I have a small beginning—two or three hundred dollars—laid away expecting it to be increased. I cannot travel, but write now and then to a friend for aid. Twelve hundred dollars will be enough to finish the Chapel.

As to my health—I enclose a certificate from my physician, which will indicate my present condition.

I wish it were more encouraging. New symptoms and great sufferings, during the past year,—in the heart—make the case less hopeful than before. The one lung continues about as last year. The outlook for this world and for prolonged work is not the most promising. But, I am glad to say to you, facing Eternity as I do, that the Father's countenance toward me is bright with love; and I hear the Savior say "Peace: well done." There is no reserve between the Eternal Truth and my soul. Heaven is open and the Angels of God are ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

While I have any strength I shall work. If it should please the Lord to give me more strength, I expect to do more work.

Fifty years—almost—have passed since I joined on trial the North Ohio Conference. The semi-centennial will be complete next July. I was then a boy-preacher, between seventeen and eighteen years of age.

I went from College to a Circuit requiring 150 miles of travel on horseback every four weeks and 16 regular sermons and services in the same time—to say nothing of the frequent

extra services. I have seen only hard work all my days, whether in the pastorate, or in the Professor's chair. I have loved hard work, and scorned any manner of ease. God be praised: He has given me a goodly number of years to work. Twenty-four years of the fifty were in connection with the North Ohio Conference, five were in the Rock River Conference, twenty-one—the happiest of all—have been with the Louisiana Conference. I went to Louisiana to toil for the colored people, until the Lord should send the release from earth. I desire nothing else than to spend the remainder of the days allotted me in the same work. I should like to continue until the end of the war, a member of the Louisiana Conference, a brother and fellow laborer with you. None of you can cherish more warmly than I do the memory of Emperor Williams, William P. Forrest, and Emerson Bently. Others, perhaps equally loved, might be named. If spared a while I may be able to do as much for the cause as in the years that are gone.

Hoping that my relation may remain unchanged, and that I may have your earnest prayers to God in my behalf.

I am, Dear Brethren, Yours in the Lord,

W. D. GODMAN,

820 North Broad St., Philadelphia, Penn., January 6, 1897.

Resolutions Complimentary to Dr. Godman were presented by Pierre Landry, A. E. P. Albert and others which were adopted by a rising vote. (See Resolutions.)

The Fifth Question was taken up, and Joseph Vital was continued on trial and advanced to studies in the second year.

Case of M. H. Hunter. Complaints having been made against M. H. Hunter, the following Committee of Inquiry was appointed to investigate the matter, viz: E. B. Richards, J. H. Rylander, Wm. Harrison, Frank Walker and Edward Fields, and all the popers in the case were referred to the Committee.

The Tenth Question was taken up, and Wm. Porter having completed the conference course of studies was elected to Elders' orders.

In Studies of Fourth Year. The following were continued in the studies of the fourth year, and required to bring up the following branches, viz:

David Harrison, Psychology and Logic; H. A. McClelland, Psychology and Logic, D. G. Pharris, the whole course; Cornelius Johnson completed the course, but was continued in the same class not being otherwise entitled to Elders' orders.

An Afternoon Session was ordered to meet at 2:30 o'clock P. M.

Examination of Character: The Thirteenth Question was resumed, and J. F. Marshall of the Baton Rouge District reported his work and his character passed; as did also the following elders, viz: J. D. Pool, Hubbard Daniels, Addison Moore, B. J. Reddix, I. R. Scott, Geo. A. Payne, C. C. Wright, E. C. Goings, M. P. Franklin, Allen Luster, H. A. Sorrell, A. J. Proctor, M. S. Goings, Ed. Fields, Nelson Burton, Simon Mitchell, H. T. O. Abbott, P. C. Colton, J. A. Tircuit, C. W. Reeves, B. M. Hubbard, C. D. C. Bryan, J. W. Hilton, C. D. Shallowhorne, Valcour Chapman, J. H. Pierre, D. M. Seals, Charles Crockett, Sanders Carroll, W. R. Butler, Frank Walker, D. J. Price, Charles Monroe, F. D. Bowers, R. C. Barrow, Emerson Hutcherson. James Robertson, being absent for good and sufficient reason, and W. D. Godman, being absent on account of sickness, were excused, and their characters passed.

Announcements and Adjournment. Announcements were made and Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16. 1897.

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment at 2:30 o'clock p. m., with Bishop Walden in the Chair.

The Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. Frank Walker, Dr. Adkinson leading in prayer.

Approval of Minutes. The reading and approval of the Minutes of yesterday and this morning's sessions were postponed until Monday.

Seat of Conference. The selection of the seat of the next session of the Conference was referred to the presiding elders.

A Letter from Rev. I. N. Pardee reporting a great revival on his work was read and received with great interest.

Dr. Curts addressed the Conference in behalf of the publishing interest of the Church.

Complimentary to Dr. Curts. Resolutions complimentary to the Doctor were adopted. (See Resolutions.)

The Seventh Question was taken up, and after an impressive address by the Bishop, and the filing of certificates declaring that they were not in debt so as to embarrass them in the work of the ministry, and that they would wholly abstain from the use of tobacco, the following, being deacons, were admitted into full membership, viz.: Timothy P. Norris, Jesse A. Richards, James A. Brown, Surry A. Mason and Wm. L. Amos.

Continued on Trial. Isaac C. Clemons and Walter S. Chinn were continued on trial in the studies of the third year.

Discontinued. Arthur A. Lacey was discontinued, but the Presiding Elders were authorized to employ him, if needed.

The Eleventh Question was taken up, and several recommendations were presented for the ordination of local preachers, but after some deliberation, the Presiding Elders were authorized to withdraw the recommendations.

A Memorial to the U. S. Senate requesting the adoption of certain temperance and prohibition legislation now pending in that body was adopted as follows, viz:

Whereas, The National House of Representatives on December 10th, passed House bill No. 7083 to forbid the sale of intoxicating drink in the Capitol grounds, with only seven dissenting votes, and

Whereas, The House of Representatives on December 14th, passed House bill No. 1888, a measure in the interests of temperance and making restrictions to the traffic in the District of Columbia, by a substantial majority; and

Whereas, Both these measures are now pending in the Senate of the United States,

Resolved, That we, the Louisiana Conference of the M. E. Church, most heartily approve of these measures and invoke the aid and co-operation of our distinguished Senators to secure the speedy passage of these measures by the Senate of the United States, and that a copy of this Preamble and Resolution, signed by the Bishop and Secretary, be forwarded by the Secretary to Hons. Donelson Caffery and Newton C. Blanchard, U. S. Senators from Louisiana.

Rev. Pierre Landry watched. A. E. P. Albert, in behalf of the South New Orleans District, presented to the Rev. Pierre Landry, their retiring Presiding Elder, a beautiful gold watch, as a token of their sincere devotion to him, and of their appreciation of his integrity and services.

Acceptance. Rev. C. D. Shallowhorne responded and accepted the token in behalf of Rev. Pierre Landry.

Rev. J. F. Marshall Suited. Rev. B. J. Reddix, in behalf of the Baton Rouge District, presented to the Rev. J. F. Marshall, their retiring Presiding Elder, a fine suit of clothes as a mark of their esteem and appreciation for the noble character and invaluable services that he had exhibited as their Presiding Elder during the past six years.

Acceptance. The Rev. J. O. Richards responded and accepted the token in behalf of the Rev. J. F. Marshall.

The Committee on Conference Relations made a partial report, in which

they reported favorably: The case of M. C. Harrison, who acknowledged the debt presented against him, and promised to pay the same within the next sixty days. They found that Cornelius Johnson had made himself responsible for a debt in the management of the Alexandria Academy, and the plans adopted not being profitable, he thereby became involved. They failed to find that he was at any fault whatever in the premises and they recommended the passage of his character.

The Twelth Question was taken up and Cornelius Johnson was elected to Elder's Orders, as a local deacon.

Announcements and Adjournment. Announcements were made, and Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 p. m., with the benediction by the Bishop.

FOURTH DAY.

EVENING SESSION.

The Conference convened at 7:30 p. m. with the Bishop in the Chair.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. W. R. Butler.

Use of the Hymnal. The Bishop addressed the Conference upon the use of the Methodist Hymnal, and gave much valuable instruction.

Freedmen's Aid Anniversary. The Bishop announced that the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society Anniversary would now be held.

Rev. Wm. Davis, Presiding. The Bishop called the Rev. Wm. Davis to the Chair, and he retired with the Presiding Elders.

Educational Addresses were then delivered by the Rev. Drs. L. G. Adkinson, President of New Orleans University, A. E. P. Albert, Vice-President of Gilbert Academy and Industrial College, of Baldwin, La., and M. C. B. Mason, Corresponding Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Nineteeth Century Offering. At the conclusion of this addresses, Dr. Mason presented his plan for raising $100,000 during the quadrennium, with which to assist in liquidating the indebtedness of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and over $2,000 was subscribed by the Conference toward that fund.

Adjournment. Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Rev. Wm. Davis.

FIFTH DAY.

MEMORIAL SESSION.

DONADSONVILLE, LA.,
Sunday, January 17, 1897.

Memorial Session. The Conference met in Memorial Session and for the Ordination Services, at 3 p. m.

After the Ordination Services Rev. H. J. Wright presided by appointment of the Bishop.

The Religious Services were conducted by the Rev. F. T. Chinn.

Memoirs Read. The Memoir of Rev. George W. Wells was read by the Rev. H. J. Wright; that of the Rev. J. W. Hudson, by Rev. J. A. Tircuit; that of Rev. Emperor Williams by the Rev. Pierre Landry, and that of the Rev. Stephen Priestly, by the Rev. Dr. Albert. The Memoirs of Mrs. Rev. Frank

Harvey, Mrs. Sevier, daughter of Rev. W. S. Harris, Miss Reddix, daughter of Rev. B. J. Reddix, and of Mrs. Kenner, mother of Rev. Joseph Johnson, were read by other members of the Committee on Memoirs.

A **Memorial Address** was delivered by the Rev. Stephen Duncan; at the conclusion of which the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Rev. H. J. Wright.

SIXTH DAY.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA.,
Monday, January 18, 1897.

Dr. Adkinson Presiding. The Session opened at 8:30 a. m., with Dr. L. G. Adkinson, presiding, by appointment of the Bishop.

The Devotional Exercises were conducted by the Rev. Valcour Chapman.

Bishop Walden, Presiding. The Bishop took the Chair and the

Minutes of Friday and Saturday's sessions were read and approved.

Secretary to Edit the Minutes. The Secretary was authorized to edit all reports so as to secure the greatest condensation consistent with the facts desired to be published.

The Fifth Question was taken up, and the following, after pledging themselves to wholly abstain from the use of

tobacco, as ordered by the Conference, were continued on trial, and advanced to the second year's course of studies, viz.: Joseph Thompson, Andrew L. Jackson, Samuel Green, Thomas Williams, Daniel W. Boatner, Cyrus E. Bradford, Robert C. Worsham, and Daniel G. Taylor.

Discontinued. Horace King was discontinued; also John P. Bayliss, Hernando Daniels and James C. Orcutt, at their own request.

Transferred. J. H. Burger was transferred to the Gulf Mission Conference.

Continued on Trial. Jefferson H. Craig was continued on trial in the studies of the first year.

Elected Deacon. Isaac C. Clemons was elected to Deacon's orders as a local preacher.

The Ninth Question was taken up, and Calvin M. Angrum, Jackson F. Fisher, Pompey Ribbs, Alexander Conerly, Wm. Ector, James W. Lewis, Edward Powell, H. O. Williams, and Bedford Carr were continued in studies of the third year.

Williams' Examination. The Examining Board was authorized to examine Hanover O. Williams, at his home.

Bedford Carr's Case was referred to his Presiding Elder for investigation; as he was absent, and damaging rumors were in circulation about him.

Board of Examiners. The Bishop explained the purposes and methods of operating the Examining Boards as now provided for in the Discipline.

PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Confererence resolved itself into the Preachers' Aid Society with Bishop Walden in the Chair.

Annual Dues. The roll was called and the following, each, paid one dollar ($1.00), making a total of $72.00 collected, viz:

(No copy of the names furnished the printer.)

An Appropriation of ten dollars toward the publication of the Minutes of 1897 was ordered.

Report of the Board of Control. The annual report of the Board of Managers of the Preachers' Aid Society was presented by A. E. P. Albert, the Secretary, as follows:

The Board met at the Parsonage of the St. Peter M. E. Church, Donaldsonville, La., on Friday, Jan. 15, 1897. Present A. E. P. Albert, Secretary; others present, Pierre Landry, S. E. H. Morant, Stephen Duncan, F. T. Chinn and Ed. Fields. In the absence of Bishop Hartzell, the President, Secretary Albert called the Board to order and requested F. T. Chinn to act as Chairman.

Officers and Managers. The Board respectfully recommended the election of the following officers and managers, viz: The Presiding Bishop, President, J. F. Marshall, Vice-President, A. E. P. Albert, Secretary, Wm. Matthews, Treasurer, and Pierre Landry, Ed. Fields, F. T. Chinn, Stephen Duncan, S. E. H. Morant, T. J. Johnson, L. G. Adkinson and C. D. Shallowhorne.

Committee on necessitous cases. The appointment of the following committee to act with complete authority in the consideration of all necessitous cases that may arise during the

year was also recommended, viz: Stephen Duncan, Pierre Landry, J. F. Marshall, A. E. P. Albert and D. G. Butler.

Committee on Murrell Property. The appointment of the following committee, to take charge of the interest of the Society in the Murrell property; to see to its rent, repairs, insurance, etc., was recommended, viz: Stephen Duncan, L. G. Adkinson and A. E. P. Albert.

Beneficiaries. It was recommended that the Constitution be strictly adhered to, and that the funds of the Society be sacredly administered only for the benefit of members paying full annual dues either at conference or within fifteen days after adjournment to the Secretary.

Treasurer's Report. The Board examined, and herein present the report of Wm. Matthew, Treasurer, transmitted through A. E. P. Albert.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance cash from last Conference	$ 50 50	
Invested in Murrell property	308 00	
Interest on same from Feb. '90-94	98 56	
Note on Braxton Bolden	4 90	
Collected Annual Dues 1897	72 00	
		$533 96

Paid out:

To insurance on Murrell property (1896)	$ 5 50	
" B. J. Reddix, on Committees order	15 00	
" Principal and interest in Murrell property	406 56	
" Bolden's note unpaid	4 90	
" Insurance on Murrell property, 1897	5 50	
" Printing Minutes (1897)	10 00	
" *Conference Stewards Conf. '97	37 00	
" Balance Cash on hand	49 50	
		533 96

* Ordered subsequently.

Reports Approved. The report of the Board of Managers, with its recommendations, was unanimously adopted.

Special Appropriation. The Society unanimously appropriated $37.00 to be distributed under the direction of the Board of Stewards.

CONFERENCE RESUMED.

The Preachers' Aid Society adjourned, and the Conference resumed its work.

Division of Conference. The question of the division of the Conference was taked up and was tabled by a vote of 55 to 41.

Dr. Scott's Address. The Rev. I. B. Scott, D. D., Editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, was introduced, and he addressed the Conference in behalf of the paper.

The Bishop's Address. The Bishop emphasized the remarks of Dr. Scott, and urged upon the Conference the duty to circulate the paper among the people and of making it self-supporting.

Resolutions Complimentary to Dr. Scott were adopted. (See Resolutions).

Lashington Acquitted. The Select Number in the case of F. M. Lashington reported that they had found him not guilty of the charge brought against him, and his character passed.

Wilson Expelled. The select number in the case of Hiram C. Wilson reported that they had found him guilty as charged, and that they had deposed him from the Ministry and expelled him from the Methodist Episcopal Church.

An Executive Session was ordered for 2:00 p. m.

A Watch was presented the Rev. C. D. Shallowhorne, by members of his congregation, as a token of esteem.

A Banner was presented to Mrs. S. E. Johnson, President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, by the several auxiliaries.

Addresses of presentation and acceptance were delivered by Revs. S. Duncan, P. Landry, Mrs. Sarah Knox, Mrs. S. E. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson of Wesley Chapel, and Mrs. D. M. Walker.

Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop.

SIXTH DAY

AFTERNOON SESSION.

DONALDSONVILLE, LA.,
Monday, January 18, 1897.

Executive Session. Conference convened in Executive Session at 2 p. m., with the Bishop in the chair.

The Devotional Services were conducted by the Rev. Henry Taylor.

The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Bishop's Executive Address. The Bishop occupied the hour of executive session in giving the Conference much valuable advice and direction which he deemed best to be given to the Ministers alone.

Dr. Albert Presiding. At the conclusion of his address, the Bishop called the Rev. A. E. P. Albert, D. D., to the chair while he retired with the Presiding Elders.

Dr. Mason's Address. Dr. Mason addressed the Conference in behalf of the cause he represents, whereupon resolutions pledging the hearty co-operation of the conference in his efforts to raise $100,000, for the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society during the quadrennium, were unanimously adopted.

Dr. Scott's Address. The Rev. Dr. Scott addressed the Conference in behalf of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, the Conference pledging more determined efforts to circulate the paper.

Reports. The following Committees reported, and their reports were adopted, viz: On Sunday Schools and Tracts, Temperance and Prohibition, Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies, on Presiding Elders' Accounts, Bible Cause, Periodicals, Church Extension, Orphans' Home, Gospel in all Lands, Book Accounts, Lafon Old Folks Home, Old Minutes Accounts, Statistics and Treasurer's Report. (See Reports.)

Resolutions. The Committee on Resolutions reported the usual complimentary and other resolutions which were adopted. (See Resolutions.)

Official Minutes. It was ordered that the printed minutes properly edited by the Secretary shall be the Official Minutes of the Conference.

Announcements and Adjournment. Announcements were made and the Conference Adjourned to meet at 7 p. m. Benediction by Dr. Albert.

SIXTH DAY.

EVENING SESSION.

Monday, January 18, 1896.

Dr. Adkinson Presiding by appointment of the Bishop.

The Religious Exercises were conducted by the the Rev. F. D. Bowers.

Publishing Minutes. L. G. Adkinson was constituted Publisher of the Minutes.

He was authorized to assess the several charges an equitable amount, sufficient to pay for the same, and the breth-

ren were directed to forward same to him so soon as they were notified of their apportionment.

Reports were called up and the following Committees reported, and they were adopted, viz. Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education and Board of Education and the Board of Stewards. (See Reports.)

Drs. Adkinson and Albert's Addresses. Pending the adoption of the Educational report Drs. Adkinson and Albert addressed the Conference in behalf, respectively of the New Orleans University, and the Gilbert Academy and Indus-College College,-of Baldwin, La.

Division of Conference. The Conference refused to take from the table the question of dividing the Conference.

A Committee on Division, to consist of the Presiding Elders and a pastor from each district was ordered, with instructions to report at our next Annual Session.

Minutes Money. It was ordered that each pastor bring to Conference next year, for the publication of the Minutes of 1898, an amount equal to the assessment that he shall be called to pay for this year's; and that the same be paid to the publisher at the next Conference.

A Collection for the Sexton Amounting to $8.02 was taken and paid her.

Bishop Walden Presiding. The Bishop coming in, with the Presiding Elders, took the chair.

The Fourth Question was taken up and John D. Brightop and John McKee were admitted on trial.

Other Recommendations Withdrawn. The Presiding Elders were authorized to withdraw all other recommendations that they had, and they were empowered to use as supplies any of those that they might need.

The Twenty-Second Question was taken up, and the following were continued in Supernumerary relation, viz: Anatole Panalle, Alex. Conerly, Charles Barnes. The relation of

Jackson F. Fisher was changed from effective to supernumerary.

The Twenty-Third Question was taken up, and the following were continued in superannuated relation, viz: George Washington, John Sparks, Horace Wallace, Austin Jones, Hanover O. Williams, John Fopp, Frederick Reeves, Samuel Armstead and Alex. Martin.

Case of Fred. Reeves. The Secretary was directed to notify Fred. Reeves that if he continued in his failure to communicate with the Conference he would be located.

Evangelist Davage. The Bishop was requested to appoint Samuel Davage as Conference Evangelist.

Case of M. H. Hunter. The Committee in the case of M. H. Hunter reported grounds for charges; and his case was referred to his Presiding Elder for investigation.

The Committee on Conference Relations reported that they found no cause for action in the cases of P. W. Clark and A. G. Davis, and they recommended that their characters pass.

Examination of Character. The Thirteenth Question was resumed, and the following reported their work and their characters passed, viz: W. J. M. Price, M. J. Dyer, J. H. Rylander A. G. Davis, P. W. Clark, S. R. Hason, Valcour Chapman, W. S. Harris, Thomas McCary and A. E. P. Albert.

The Committee on Missions reported the distribution of the Missionary appropriation $3,570, which was adopted. (See Reports.)

Seat of Next Conference. The Presiding Elders requested, and the Conference selected the seat of the Next Conference, and Franklin, La., was chosen.

The Triers of Appeal were nominated by the Presiding Elders and elected by the Conference. (See Conference officers.)

Recognition of Orders. The credentials of the orders of T. D. Small and James F. Goings from the A. M. E. Church were presented and they were recognized as deacons.

Ordained. Isaac C. Clemons was ordained a deacon in Conference session.

The Board of Examiners as nominated by the Presiding Elders was elected. (See Conference Officers.)

Other Boards and Committees. The Presiding Elders were authorized to appoint all other Boards and Committees provided for, but not now named.

Certificate of Ordination. Bishop Walden filed the following Certificate of Ordination with the Secretary:

This Certifies that at Donaldsonville, La., on January 17, 1897, assisted by a number of Elders present, I ordained as Elders in the Methodist Episcopal Church,

WILLIAM PORTER,

CORNELIUS JOHNSON,

And that at the same place on January 18, 1897, I ordained as Deacon in the Methodist Episcopal Church,

ISAAC C. CLEMONS.

Given under my hand, this eighteenth day of January A. D., 1897.

JOHN M. WALDEN.

Adjournment and Closing Exercises. On motion of A. E. P. Albert, it was ordered that after the adoption of the minutes, which were read and approved, the closing religious exercises and the reading of the appointments, the Conference adjourn *sine die.*

The Bishop made an impressive closing address, the appointments were read, and the Conference at 2:30 a. m. Tuesday, January 19, 1897, stood adjourned *sine die.*

JOHN M. WALDEN,
President.

A. E. P. ALBERT.
Secretary.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES.

AT ST. PETER M. E. CHURCH.

Wednesday, January 13, 7:30 p. m., Church Extension Anniversary, address by Rev. W. A. Spencer, D. D.

Thursday, January 14, 7:30 p. m., Missionary Sermon, by Revs. James A. Tircuit and Henry Taylor.

Friday, January 15, 7:30 p. m., Lecture on Africa, by Bishop John M. Walden, D. D., LL. D.

Saturday, January 16, 7:30 p. m., Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society Anniversary, addresses by the Rev. Drs. M. C. B. Mason, L. G. Adkinson and A. E. P. Albert.

Sunday, Jan. 17, 9 a. m., Conference Love Feast.

" " 10:30 a. m., sermon by Bishop Walden.

" " 2:30 p. m., ordination of Elders and Memorial services.

" " 7:30 p. m., Evangelistic revival services, conducted by Revs. Samuel Davage and W. R. Butler.

The pulpits of nearly all the other Protestant Churches were filled by ministers from the Conference.

REPORTS.

Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society and Board of Education.

I.

The Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society in the prosecution of its work of Christian Education has accomplished great and marvelous results. From its humble beginning more than a quarter of a century ago it has grown to be one of the largest Educational institutions in our country.

There are at present forty-five institutions about equally divided between the needy races in the South, having 460 teachers and nearly 9000 pupils. In the Education of our young people as teachers, preachers, physicians, dentists, pharmacists, and in many lines of industrial education the society is doing a great work and deserves our most hearty support.

We look with great satisfaction upon the splendid service of our brother, a former member of our Conference, and a graduate of N. O. University, Rev. M. C. B. Mason, D. D., and congratulate ourselves and the church upon his election as one of the corresponding secretaries of the society. We pledge him our hearty co-operation in his plan to raise $100,000 in the next four years on the debt, and pray the abiding blessing of God upon him in the undertaking.

II.

EDUCATION.

True to her spirit and Missions under Mr. Wesley and Bishop Asbury our church thirty years ago came to us not only with gospel but with institutions for Christian education.

Dr. R. S. Rust and Bishop J. C. Hartzell and their wise coadjutors, with a forecast that seems providential in the light of subsequent history, laid the foundations and began the work of establishing these seats of learning. We rejoice to-day in what God hath wrought.

III.

NEW ORLEANS UNIVERSITY

Maintains its rank among the very best schools for the instruction of our people.

It is a source of great gratification to us that President Adkinson who has given almost ten years to constant effort for the upbuilding of the University still continues, with the earnestness and success of the earliest years of his presidency, to devote himself to this great work. While the University has suffered great loss by the temporary withdrawal of the President's wife to secure needed rest from constant and exacting care, for nine years, we congratulate ourselves on the fact that the ladies in the faculty have cheerfully taken additional labor in looking after the interest, so wisely cared for by her, and our young people still find in the institution a culture and kindness that leaves nothing to be desired by its patrons.

We note with pride the increasing number in the higher classes.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS.

The enrollment in the college classes exceeds, by twenty-five

per cent, that of any previous year Last year there was one graduate from the College of Liberal Arts—Rev. D. J. Price, —a member of this Conference.

NORMAL DEPARTMENT.

The largest class ever sent out completed the course and received their diplomas last year, viz:

Helen Andrews, Augustine Barnes, Lillie E. Barton, Julia F. Campfield, Matilda L. Duncan, Eugenia A. Howard, Mamie E. Johnson, Lydia M. Pickett, Ida L. Porter, Ella N. Prescott, Henrietta L. Stroter, Mamie E. Talley, Mathilde C. Vignes and John W. Thomas. These are all capable teachers and more than half of them are already doing excellent work.

COLLEGE PREPARATORY.

The following completed the College Preparatory course and received certificates, viz:

Matthew S. Davage, Brouder G. Johns, Paul W. Kinchen, Nellie V. Landry, Peter J. Manade, Liatta C. Marshall, Oliver M. Randolph and Mary O. Simms.

ENGLISH COURSE.

The grade here is high and some fail to reach the standard required for its completion and hence there is some falling off in the enrollment, but we commend the action of the Board of Trustees in sustaining the Faculty in holding up the standard and hope it may always be true that only thorough work may be accepted in the University.

MEDICAL COLLEGE.

The enrollment reaches thirty-eight for the session which closes next month. The graduating class numbers eight, the largest in the history of this department. A hospital of two wards has been furnished and opened by the voluntary action of the Phyllis Wheatley Club—an organization composed of nearly a hundred of our leading ladies in the city. We gladly welcome their co-operation in this great work and hope that still other friends may come to the aid of the Medical College

until with a new building and greatly enlarged appliances it may be the first institution of its kind in the South.

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENTS.

No special effort is being made in the lines of Manual training. The policy of the Board of Trustees is to concentrate the various industrial departments at Gilbert Academy and make them Trade-Schools of a high grade.

Sewing is still taught the girls in classes in the University, and house-keeping of all kinds in connection with work in the Boarding and Dormitory Departments.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

Prof. Weber, a graduate of the University, still continues at the head of this department with increasing popularity and success. Miss Liatta Marshall completed the course in Music and received her diploma last commencement.

While we are glad to learn that there are large numbers of young people from other churches including the A. M. E. Church, the C. M. E. Church, the Baptist and Catholic churches, we greatly desire that our own young people should crowd our University in much larger numbers, our duty is to seek promising young men and women and boys and girls in our homes and churches and point out to them how it can be done, and strongly advise to secure an education without delay.

IV.

GILBERT ACADEMY AND INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE.

Located at Baldwin, La., 104 miles west of New Orleans, on the Southern Pacific Railroad, and the classic Bayou Teche, is one of our best preparatory schools, is an excellent feeder to our New Orleans University, and is fulfilling its mission in a highly satisfactory manner. The continued poor health of

our beloved brother, and for many years our successful fellow-servant in this field, the Rev. Wm. D. Godman, D. D., has been a serious embarassment to the Academy. We rejoice to report however, that under the wise and energetic administration of the Rev. A. E. P. Albert, A. M., D. D., who, as Vice-President, has had the actual management of the Institution since October 1, 1895, the school has taken a new lease of life and prosperity, and its future was never brighter and more promising. From an enrollment of 117 the session before he took charge, the last session the school had an enrollment of 171, and the enrollment this session has already reached 225. The boarding family, including the teachers, numbers very near one hundred, all of whom are under the most wholesome discipline. To the other departments previously in operation Dr. Albert has very wisely added that of blacksmithing and wheelwrighting, a shop for which he has built, paid for, and supplied with several fine and complete set of tools.

He has also bought a fine horse, a splendid mule, and an improved Chemical Fire Extinguisher for the place. He set out twenty-five dollars worth of choice fruit trees this winter; and has secured the donation of a four hundred dollar piano from Miss Inez A. Godman, and a pulpit Bible from the Rev. W. P. Thierlkield, D. D., also the gift of a magnificent American flag and pulpit Bible from Bishop Mallalieu, and 200 song books "Joy to the World, from a modest friend who prefers that his name should be suppressed."

All departments, both literary and industrial, are in excellent condition; and we feel that we are doing a real service to our people in urging them to send their boys and girls to Gilbert Academy and Industrial College. The climate is delightful, health perfect, grounds ample, buildings commodious, surroundings inviting, courses of study liberal, influences intellectual, moral and religious, and the expenses are exceptionally reasonable.

The faculty, with the exception of Dr. Godman, who is not actively engaged in the work, made up entirely of colored ladies and gentlemen educated in our schools, and thoroughly

consecrated to the work in which they are engaged is as follows :

Rev. W. D. Godman, A. M., D. D., President.
Rev. A. E. P. Albert, A. M., D. D., Vice-President.
Prof. J. B. Randolph, Mathematics and Languages.
Mrs. Alice R. Albert, Matron and Instructor in Needlework.
Mrs. B. F. Hoyt, Primary Department, and English Branches.
Miss V. M. J. Duncan, Instructor in English Branches.
Miss Laura F. Albert, Music and " "
Prof. W. E. Randall, Instructor in Woodwork.
" John W. Harris, " " Blacksmithing & Wheelwrighting.
" H. O. Butler, " " Printing.
" Newman Marshall, " " Agriculture.
" C. C. Landry, " " Baking.
Misses Adelia E. Ambler and Pinksy B. Wilson, Baking and Laundry.

V.

GAMMON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Your committee has heard with pleasure of the increasing prosperity of this Institution. We are proud of the fact that six of our young men have graduated in the last three years and that they ranked among the very best in their classes.

We are persuaded that there is increasing need of specially trained men among us, both from our schools and from the Seminary, and we hope our Presiding Elders and pastors will use all their influence to induce candidates for the Ministry to secure this special preparation before seeking admission to the Conference.

CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL FUND.

We are glad to learn of the continued growth and usefulness of this fund and pledge onrselves to observe Children's Day

and promptly forward all collections to Dr. C. H. Payne the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education at New York.

VI.

ALEXANDRIA ACADEMY.

This school labors under the disadvantages of a great lack of suitable accommodations in the way of buildings. The church, which is the only place available, is greatly in need of repair, also two rooms which have been attached to the rear of it, are inconvenient, and too small to accommodate the students comfortably, yet the teachers and students are full of hope, cheer, and work. Prof. Cornelius Johnson and his estimable wife and Miss Georgia Riley, all graduates, have labored faithfully and successfully and the attendance increases.

The enrollment at this date is 143, and will reach 175 by the close of the session. The Academy is under the control of the Board of Trustees of New Orleans University and the course of study is the same, as pursued in the University in the lower grades.

During the session the following students who have finished in the lower braches in the Academy have been sent to the University, namely: Mr. Charles Dier, Misses Bertha M. Kelso, Virginia A. Murray, Loletta Compton and Frances Kelso, where they are pursuing higher courses.

If buildings could be secured, this Academy would at once come fully to the front as one of the best and most prosperous Academies in the State.

FACULTY.

Rev. L. G. Adkinson, D. D., President.

Cornelius Johnson, A. B., Principal, and Professor in the Preparatory Department and English Branches.

Mrs. Emma L. Johnson, Principal Normal Department and English Branches.

Miss Georgia Riley, Instructor English Branches.

Misses Mitchell and Dier, Music.

Report of the Orphan's Home Committee.

Your committee respectfully beg to report that they have inquired into the affairs and management of the Orphans' Home Board, and that they are gratified to learn and report that arrangements are now in progress, whereby the Board may be reorganized so as to give it greater efficiency in the fulfilment of the great trust committed to its care.

When thus reorganized, we have every reason to expect that the Board will be able to take immediate steps toward the maintenance and education of the worthy orphans of our people within the bonds of our conference.

We would therefore rcecommend that this committee may be continued to the next session of this conference, and that it be authorized to confer with the Board, and to assist it in any efforts whereby it may be enabled to successfully reopen the Home or care for and educate orphans at Gilbert Academy at Baldwin, La., at the earliest possible date, and that the same committee report to the next session of the Conference.

STEPHEN DUNCAN, Chairman.

A. E. P. ALBERT, Secretary.

Lafon Old Folks Home of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Your committee respectfully submit that after a careful examination into the management and affairs of the Lafon Old Folks Home, they find that notwithstanding the unfortunate delay in the settlement of the insurance, growing out of the burning of the former building, the present building has been

completed, and in the course of a short time after the adjournment of this Confeaence, will be formally turned over to the Board of Managers, in accordance with the requirements of the contract. Your Committee has satisfied itself that a debt of gratitude is due to the Rev. Pierre Landry, the Architect and Builder, for the faithfulness with which he has carried out the letter and spirit of the contract, notwithstanding the financial loss that he suffered in the settlement of the insurance. While we regret the delays that thus far have hindered the Board of Managers in their plan to have our old People to occupy the home before this time, we rejoice to learn that very soon after the adjournment the Board will be able to move them into the New Home, which is a model of convenience and beauty.

The Home continues to command the fostering care of nearly all our city pastors and churches, and is largely supported from their benevolences, the balance being supplied from the rent of the thirty-nine lots owned by the Board at Camp Parapet, and the interest from the invested funds of the Board. Recently the City Council of New Orleans has made an annual appropriation of $60 towards the support of the home, which is highly appreciated, and with the other resources of the Board will greatly help them in caring for our needy and worthy old folks. It is the purpose of the Board to present to the General Convention at its next annual meeting, which meets soon after the conference, a historical and complete financial statement which will vindicate every action of the Board and satisfy the craving of the most exacting critic. The Board reports the support and maintenance of inmates during the year, and the death of four. There are now in the home twelve inmates, happy, in the care taken of them through the benefactors of our churches the generous public and the great gifts that have come to them through the lamented Tomy Lafon and Aristide Marie. The Local Board of Managers have faithfully fulfilled the trust committed to them and deserve the sympathy, thanks and praise of this Conference.

W. R. BUTLER, Chairman.

A. E. P. ALBERT, Secretary.

Report on Periodicals.

Whereas our people are in great need of a solid and wholesome literature; and whereas,

Our publishing houses furnish such books and periodicals, as will fully meet these demands, giving the people such teaching as will tend to make Christians and Methodist;

Resolved, That as a conference, we will use our best endeavors to introduce our literature into the homes of our people.

Especially will we labor to place the *Southwestern* in every family of our church.

We further recommend the very liberal distribution of tracts, which may be secured at a little more than cost of publication, from any of our Publishing Houses or Depositories.

ALFRED McGLOCKON, Chairman.

EDWARD W. OSBURN, Secretary.

Temperance and Prohibition.

Whereas our Church has always been bold in denouncing the liquor traffic and has declared that it can not be legalized without sin; and whereas the traffic has not only brought untold degradation and misery to our own glorious America, but even, to darkest Africa; and whereas, we earnestly believe it is a christian duty to wholly abstain from intoxicating beverages; therefore be it

Resolved, That we will use every means possible to wipe this inquitous business from off the face of the earth.

Resolved, That as ministers of the gospel we will teach temperence both by precept and example,

Resolved further, That the temperance lessons as found in our Sunday School literature shall receive closer study than ever before, not only for our own individual good, but for the good of mankind.

HENRY TAYLOR, Chairman.

B. M. HUBBARD, Secretary.

Church Extension.

Whereas, we have watched with great interest the work of the Board of Church Extension not only in our own Conference, but in the general Church; and whereas, it has aided in the erection and renovation of more than one hundred and sixty churches within our boundary; therefore, be it Resolved, that

1. We heartily congratulate the Board of Church Extension, and the Church-at-large, on the remarkable success of this work through a period of thirty years.

2. That our country, being new, with rapidly increasing population and unlimited resources, will continue to need Church extension, in the future as in the past, and that our Church, by fostering and strengthening this work will increase its own power to promote all forms of Christian and benevolent activity.

3. That we, as a Conference, will not be content with anything less than a full response to the call of the General Committee for our proper share in Church Extension, until, everywhere, in communities now destitute, the people shall have opportunity to "enter His courts with praise."

4. That our Presiding Elders be requested to apportion, with care, the full amount asked for Church Extension, to the several Districts and pastoral charges for collection; and, that, availing ourselves of the helps provided by the Board, and

especially "Christianity in Earnest" and "Glad Tidings," we will present this cause in all our churches, and endeavor to secure, at least, the amount asked, in accordance with the plan of our Discipline.

HENRY TAYLOR, Chairman.

A. J. PROCTOR, Secretary.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

We regard the work of this society as of great importance in our general Church work. It fills a place not to be filled by any other agency. Its wholesome influence is felt throughout our church.

Among other earnest workers of our local organizations who are doing most excellent work in bringing forward the missionsionary cause in our conference we gladly note, sister S. E. Johnson, and D. M. Walker. The organization is still growing in strength and usefulness, and we pledge ourselves to help spread it in all our charges.

The Peck home is nobly shedding its light among the girls and young ladies of our Conference, under the very efficient supervision of Miss Hickman, who, with her co-workers have and deserves the grateful thanks of the Louisiana Conference.

A. H. BANKS, Chairman.

E. H. CLARK, Secretary.

Sunday School and Tracts.

We recognize more and more the great good being done by these two societies among our people, as evangelizing agents.

We recommend the distribution of their literature in every charge, and the taking of the collections for each cause.

E. C. GOINS, Chairman.

P. W. CLARK, Secretary.

Bible Cause.

We consider the American Bible Society, the greatest factor in distributing the word of God.

Therefore we are determined during this year to see that every family and person in our reach shall have a copy of the word of God. And we shall pray that in heathen lands at no late date, civilization through its wonderful influence, may be felt and every one learn to love and read the same.

A. J. PICKETT, Chairman.

J. H. PIERRE, Secretary.

Auditing Accounts.

We your Committee appointed to audit the P. E. accounts beg leave to report that we have examined all the books and find that they are correct.

E. FIELDS, Chairman;
B. J. REDDIX, Secretary;
H. C. ARMSTON.

Missionary Appropriations.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Alexandria District	$130
Abbeville	20
Jennings	20
Lecompte	15
Rayne	15
	200

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.

Baton Rouge District	130
St. Mark	50
Rylander Chapel	20
New Roads	20
St. Paul and Vincent	20
St. Luke & Plain View	20
Priestley Chapel & Jones Creek	20
	280

CENTRAL DISTRICT.

N. O. Central District	50
St. Charles	400
	450

MONROE DISTRICT.

Monroe District	560
Bonita	40
Oak Ridge	40
St. Joe	40
Casper and Jones	50
Winnsboro	50
Collinston	50
Anderson	20
Delhi	50
Waco	30
Bealah	30
	960

NATCHITOCHES DISTRICT.

Natchitoches District	450
Allen Circuit	20
Alpha "	15
Bayou Rapides Circuit	15
Boyce and Fairmount	15
Cane River and St. Maurice	15
Colfax and Kateland	20
Coushatta	20
Chopin and Old River	15
Greenning & Lake End	15
Many and Columbus	20
Marthaville & Fort Jessup	15
Robeline and Provence	15
	650

NEW ORLEANS NORTH DISTRICT.

Asbury	20
Darrowville	15
Franklington	25
St. John	20
Kenner	20
Malden	30
	130

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

Shreveport District	500
Bodcau	20
Grand Cane	15
Homer and Gibbs	30
Rocky Mount	15
Minden and Oden	70
Round Grove	35
Brownlee	15
	700

SOUTH NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

N. O. District South	100
Island	20
Berwick City	20
St. Patrick and St. James	20
Centreville	20
Beattieville	20
	200

Grand Total, $3570.

I approve the foregoing appropriations.

JOHN M. WALDEN, President.

APPORTIONMENTS.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

Total.....$509

Alexandria	$ 90	New Orleans Central	$ 5
Baton Rouge	90	New Orleans North	120
Monroe	52	New Orleans South	120
Natchitoches	52	Shreveport	68

Conference Claimants, Total..... 509

Apportioned on the same basis as Episcopal Fund.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Total.....$800

Alexandria	$120	New Orleans Central	$ 15
Baton Rouge	120	New Orleans North	155
Monroe	70	New Orleans South	155
Natchitoches	80	Shreveport	85

FREEDMEN'S AID.

Total.....$1250

Alexandria	$200	New Orleans Central	$ 10
Baton Rouge	200	New Orleans North	250
Monroe	90	New Orleans South	250
Natchitoches	100	Shreveport	150

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION AND TRACT SOCIETY.

Total.....$250

Alexandria	$ 40	New Orleans Central	$ 5
Baton Rouge	40	New Orleans North	50
Monroe	20	New Orleans South	50
Natchitoches	20	Shreveport	20

EDUCATION.

Total.....$228

Alexandria	$ 25	New Orleans Central	$ 8
Baton Rouge	25	New Orleans North	60
Monroe	10	New Orleans South	60
Natchitoches	20	Shreveport	20

BIBLE CAUSE.

Total.....$100

Alexandria	$ 15	New Orleans Central	$ 5
Baton Rouge	15	New Orleans North	20
Monroe	5	New Orleans South	20
Natchitoches	10	Shreveport	10

Report of Board of Stewards.

RECEIPTS.

From Book Concern Dividend.....$1132
" Chartered Fund..... 22
" Conference Claimants Collection..... 99
" Preachers Aid Society..... 37—$1,290

DISBURSEMENTS.

Payments to Conference Claimants as follows:

To cover amount overdrawn last year..... $200
To pay settlement on Old Minutes account.... 50

NAME.	AMOUNT.	TO WHOM PAID.
John Sparks	$ 30 00	Wm. Harrison
Samuel Armstead	40 00	J. A. Tircuit
Horace Wallace	40 00	W. J. M. Price
George Washington	20 00	Himself
H. O. Williams	100 00	Stephen Duncan
Austin Jones	20 00	F. T. Chinn
Samuel Bell (Daughter's funeral)	10 00	Self
Frank Harvey's(Wife's funeral)	10 00	"
S. Priestley's funeral	50 00	S. Duncan
Mother Priestley	12 50	C. Monroe
Widow Priestly	12 50	" "
" Emperor Williams	30 00	Herself
" Ford and Children	40 00	"
" Daily	40 00	A. E. P. Albert
" Vance	20 00	Henry Taylor
" Washington	40 00	A. E. P. Albert

"	Ennis	30 00	" "
"	Gould	20 00	D. J. Price
"	I. Hayward	10 00	Eugene Baptiste
"	Burton	15 00	F. T. Chinn,
"	Osborne	15 00	W. R. Butler
"	Legardy	25 00	B. M. Hubbard
"	Wm. Smith and Children	35 00	W. R. Butler
"	Murrell	50 00	Chas. Monroe
"	R. J. Thomas & Children	40 00	W. R. Butler
"	S. S. Wright "	40 00	B. J. Reddix
"	A. Kennedy	25 00	W. S. Harris
"	Cortez Thompson	25 00	J. A. Tircuit
"	Wells and Child	25 00	H. J. Wright
	Wells' Children	25 00	" "
"	Hudson	25 00	Henry Taylor
"	Reese Thompson	30 00	" "
"	A. Ross	40 00	D. G. Butler
Scott Chinn's Daughter		10 00	Eugene Baptiste
A. Primus' Children		10 00	T.G.Montgomery
S. Evans' Children		30 00	C. Monroe

CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

CASE OF H. C. WILSON.

Donaldsonville, La., Jan. 16, 1897.

We the select number in the case of H. C. Wilson, after investigating the proceeding of the Committee of Investigation, and after carefully considering the case, do find him guilty of immoral conduct, as set forth in the Bill of Charges and specifications, and hereby depose him from the Ministry and expel him from membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Signed by the whole Committee,

Z. T. GAYDEN, Chairman.

F. D. BOWERS, Secretary.

CASE OF F. M. LASHINGTON.

Donaldsonville, La., Jan. 15, 1897.

We the select number in the case of Rev. F. M. Lashington, beg to report that after a careful examination of the papers presented to us we find nothing in them to support a charge against this Brother.

Yours Committee,

T. G. MONTGOMERY, Chairman.

J. D. POOL, Secretary.

CASES OF CORNELIUS JOHNSON, MATTHEW HARRISON, P. W. CLARK, A. A. LACEY, AUGUSTUS G. DAVIS AND M. H. HUNTER.

We your committee on Conference Relations, respectfully beg to report that we have had the cases of the above named brethren under consideration, and after carefully inquiring submit the following:

CORNELIUS JOHNSON. We find that Cornelius Johnson does not personally owe Miss Ella Rose, anything, but that the Alexandria Academy is justly indebted to her for her services as a teacher there $23, which Bro. Johnson promised to see her paid during this session. We recommend that his character pass.

MATTHEW C. HARRISON acknowledges that he owes S. J. Henry $7.00, which he pledges to settle within the next sixty days.

P. W. CLARK. Mrs. Cora Edward appeared by us and testified that the claim presented against P. W. Clark was sent in through a mistake, and we recommend the passage of his character.

A. A. LACEY was found to be justly indebted to Mrs. Cora Edwards for $14.50. This he now promises to pay at earliest possible day. This Mrs. Edwards accepted as satisfactory.

A. G. DAVIS. We have examined into the claims presented by Mr. Julius Adlen against Bro. Davis, but could not reach any definite conclusion, for lack of sufficient evidence in the case. We therefore recommend the continuance of his relation.

M. H. HUNTER. We have carefully examined into the case of M. H. Hunter, and the result of our investigation leads us to recommend that he be asked to locate.

Signed in behalf of the Committee,

E. B. RICHARDS, Chairman.

J. H. RYLANDER, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

		Cash	Vouchers	Total
1	Abbeville Circuit	$ 5	$ 11	$ 16
2	Abbeville Mission			
3	Alexandria	20	25	45
4	Avoca and Rigolets			
5	Boonville	18	1	19
6	Bunkie	1	5	6
7	Cade and Breaux Bridge	3		3
8	Cheneyville	10		10
9	Cottonport and Bordelonville			
10	Eola	7	3	10
11	Glencoe and Island	14	36	50
12	Grand Cot and Evergreen			
13	Hubertville	11		11
14	Jeannerette	20		20
15	Jennings and Welsh			
16	Le Compte and Spring Creek	9	2	11
17	Lake Charles			
18	Morrows	6		6
19	New Iberia	30		30
20	Olevier			
21	Opelousas	8	2	10
22	Pineville		5	5
23	Pattouville			
24	Rayne and Crowley	3	1	4
25	St. Martinsville	26	6	32
26	St. Peter	4	4	4
27	Sorrell and Union	1		1
28	Sunflower	8	8	8
29	Washington and Pleasance	20		20
30	Willowglen and Moreland			
31	Waxia and Palmetto	9		9
32	Woodworth			
33	Lafayette	8		8
		$241	$109	$350

		Cash	Vouchers	Total
	BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.			
1	St. Mark	$ 13	$	$ 13
2	Wesley Chapel	75	2	77
3	Bayou Goula	4	2	6
4	Baker and Plank Road	5		5
5	Clinton	10		10
6	Conrad	18	4	22
7	Hartzell Chapel	13	13	26
8	Jackson and Argodine	11		11
9	Lettsworth and Union	7		7
10	Macedonia Circuit	22	15	37
11	Merrill Chapel	5		5
12	Mount Carmel	14	1	15
13	Musson Circuit	4	2	6
14	Melville and Sumner	7	3	10
15	New Roads	6	1	7
16	Plaquemine and Indian Village	7	11	18
17	Port Allen and Brusley	20		20
18	Priestley and Jones Creek	2	1	3
19	Red River and Island	5		5
20	Rylander Chapel	2	3	5
21	Slaughter	10		10
22	St. Paul and Vincent Ch.	6		6
23	Stony Point	10	3	13
24	St. Luke and Brandon	2	1	3
25	St. Peter	8	2	10
26	Wesley and Asbury	9	6	15
27	Wilson and Norwood		5	5
28	Albert Chapel	17		17
		$312	$75	$387
	MONROE DISTRICT.			
1	Anderson	1		1
2	Bastrop and Washington	17		17
3	Casper and Jones Ch.	5	2	7
4	Collingston			
5	Delhi	5		5
6	Fort Necessity			

		Cash	Vouchers	Total
7	Lake Providence	25		25
8	Monroe	18		18
9	Mount Nebo	7	6	13
10	Mount Sinai and Beulah	19		19
11	Winnsborough	1		1
12	Waco	4		4
13	Bonita	2		2
14	Oak Ridge	1		1
		105	8	113

NATCHITOCHES DISTRICT.

1	Allen and St. Paul	5	1	6
2	Alpha and Union			
3	Campti and Mt. Zion	4	18	22
4	Bedford and Wesley	12	27	39
5	Boyce and Williamson	3		3
6	Chopin and Old River	5	1	6
7	Colfax and Kateland	1		1
8	Columbus and Leesville		1	1
9	Coushatta and Mt. Zion	2	7	9
10	Cane River and Mt. Maurice	1		1
11	Fair Mount and Kynett	14		14
12	Lake End and Pine Grove			
13	Marthaville and Many	4	2	6
14	Natchitoches and Grand Ecoe	13	3	16
15	Naborton and Mt. Carmel		2	2
16	Pleasant Hill and St. Mathew	3	1	4
17	Robeline and New Town	9	2	11
		76	65	141

CENTRAL DISTRICT.

1	Hammond	38	2	40
2	City Mission			
3	French Church			
4	Italian First Church	10	7	17
5	St. Charles Ave	7	94	101
		55	103	158

NEW ORLEANS NORTH DISTRICT.

		Cash	Vouchers	Total
1	Asbury and Algiers	2		2
2	Darrowville	5		5
3	Franklinton and Hays	4		4
4	Gretna	6		6
5	Kenner and Hanson		5	5
6	La Place and Lutcher	2		2
7	Mandeville and Winan		2	2
8	Malden Ch			
9	Mt. Zion	52	71	123
10	Nashua and Lowercoast			
11	Pleasant Plain	37	3	40
12	St. Matthew	3	15	18
13	Scott Chinn	35	13	48
14	Thomson Ch	2	3	5
15	Union Ch	76	34	110
16	New River	2		2
17	Ponchatoula and Springfield			
18	St. Charles	21	11	32
19	St. John	9	2	11
20	Shady Grove		2	2
21	Slidel and Pearlville	10	2	12
22	White Hall	40		40
23	Wesley Chapel	169	135	304
		$475	$298	$773

NEW ORLEANS SOUTH DISTRICT.

1	Berwick		12	12
2	Centreville and Verdenville	6		6
3	Donaldsonville	50		50
4	Franklin	31	6	37
5	Godman Ch	2	14	16
6	Houma and Dulac	9	11	20
7	Morgan City	5		5
8	Napoleonville	35		35
9	First Street Church	136	64	200
10	Haven Ch	26	5	31

		Cash	Vouchers	Total
11	Mallalieu	32		32
12	Simpson	97	3	100
13	University charge	64	10	74
14	William Chapel	5	37	42
15	Shriever	11		11
16	Thibodaux	30		30
17	St. Patrick and St. James	4		4
18	Vioron	10		10
19	Winsted	29	2	31
20	Woodlawn	12	26	38
		$594	$190	$784

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

1	Bordeaux	19		19
2	Brownlee	7		7
3	Fairfield	19		19
4	Flournoy	14	3	17
5	Longstreet	8		8
6	Grand Cane			
7	Mansfield	10	12	22
8	Minden and Odum			
9	Rocky Mound	10		10
10	Round Grove	2		2
11	Shady Grove	17		17
12	St. James	75	25	100
13	St. Paul	82	22	104
14	Vanceville	18		18
		$280	$62	$343

Valcour Chapman,

Conference Treasurer.

RECAPITULATION.

		Cash	Vouchers	Total
1	Alexandria	$241	109	350
2	Baton Rouge	312	75	187
3	Monroe	105	8	113
4	Natchitoches	76	65	141
5	Central	58	103	161
6	New Orleans, North	475	298	773
7	New Orleans, South	594	190	784
8	Shreveport	274	69	343
		$2135	$917	$3052
	Total last year	2036	702	2738
	Increase	99	215	314

Valour Chapman,
Treasurer.

MEMOIRS.

REV. GEORGE W. WELLS, A. M.

Our pen falters, as we note the death of brother Wells, so young, so useful, so accomplished, so promising! He fell asleep in Jesus, at his post, in Natchitoches, La., May, 31, 1896.

He was born in Kentucky, in 1853, and was converted to God, at Mt. Zion M. E. Church, when a youth in his early teens. In the midst of much difficulty he reached the goal of his youthful ambition in graduating as a Bachelor of Arts from New Orleans University in 1880, and was granted the degree of Master of Arts from the same Institution in 1888. He joined the Louisiana Conference at the session held in Franklin, in 1882. He was ordained a deacon by the late Bishop Wiley, in 1884, and an elder by Bishop Bowman, in 1886.

During the years of his ministry he served the following appointments with remarkable success, viz: 1882-83, Professor in LaTeche Seminary, now Gilbert Academy; 1884-86, Pastor at Rosedale; 1887, Pastor at New Iberia; 1888-91, Professor at Wiley University, Marshall, Texas; 1892-94, Professor at Rust University, Holly Springs, Miss.; 1885, Pastor Pineville, and 1896 up to his death, at Natchitoches, La. A bright and shining star of the first magnitude has been withdrawn from our sky, and like Rachel, we mourn because he is not "for God took him."

He has joined his first wife and several children who preceeded him to the heavenly land a few years before; and he has since been overtaken by several more of his children that have gone to meet him in the "land of rest."

His last wife and one child loiter on behind but they shall meet him bye and bye.

The closing days of his career especially, were most beauti-

ful and sweet. His welcome to Natchitoches was spontaneous and hearty, and his determination to make that year the brightest in his ministry was as inflexible as it was inspiring. His soul was bent upon building a new church there, and to the last moment it rested on his heart. When nearly gone, in answer to his presiding elder's question, as to whether he had anything to say, his answer was. "Yes; the church," which he was building, "is not yet finished;" and an exhortation to his flock to stand "Methodistically together." He was rational to the last, and gave full direction as to his burial, and the ring on his finger, which after death he desired taken off his finger and put upon that of his eldest son, to whom he gave the charge to be a good boy and good man. The dying testimonies which he gave the Rev. James E. Biddle, of the M. E. Church South, and to his presiding elder, the Rev. H. J. Wright, are like apples of gold in pictures of silver. No wonder brother Biddle says "When I heard of his death I felt that a truly good and useful man was gone."

According to his directions his funeral took place at First Street M. E. Church, New Orleans, from which holy men bore his mortal remains to the Girod Street Cemetery in New Orleans, La. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn his departure. We shall see him again.

REV. JAMES W. HUDSON.

It seems incredible that this cheerful, tireless worker; the foremost leader of his flock and people in every movement for their education and progress, should be numbered among the dead; but it is so, James Wilson Hudson, has quit the walks of men, and gone up to his reward. He ceased both to work and live, after a brief illness from his last charge at St. James M. E. Church, Shreveport, La., Aug 20, 1896.

He came to Louisiana in 1873, and from Lake Providence he went to Monroe and there he taught public school for quite a number of years. While there as school teacher he married Miss Mary A. Grayson, an accomplished and leading young

lady of that city.

He joined the Louisiana Conference at Baton Rouge, La., Jan. 1878, and was ordained a deacon the same year by the late Bishop Harris, and an elder at Wesley Chapel, New Orleans, Jan. 1880, by the same Bishop. He was for many year a trustee of the New Orleans University, and one of the founders of the Lafon Old Folks' Home, and was a representative of his peopla in nearly every cause demanding leadership for the advancement of their interests. He was held in high esteem by his brethern and was for several years President of the New Orleans Preacher's Meeting, and was Statistical Secretary of the Conference when death relieved him.

As a member of the Louisiana Conference and a minister of the Gospel, he has served the following places successfully and was beloved by all who knew him: Monroe circuit, Pleasant Plains, Franklin, White Hall, Mt. Zion, Baton Rouge, Simpson Chapel, and presiding elder of the Baton Rouge district, Union Chapel and St. James, Shreveport.

REV. EMPEROR WILLIAMS.

We mourn the loss of no ordinary man, but of "a prince and a mighty man in Israel." When, on Tuesday, August 25, 1896, this venerable servant of God breathed his last, and passed up to his reward, the Louisiana Conference was bereft of one of the choicest men of our world-wide Methodism, and one of the most remarkable men of his age. The elements were so combined in him that nature might indeed have pointed him out as "a man." The monumental name of Emperor Williams stands out as an enduring fabric, that shall ever be an honor, an inspiration, and a benediction to the members of the Louisiana Conference.

He was a great preacher. In the days of his growing powers, he swayed the multitude, as the rushing, mighty wind does the helpless, yielding forest. Congregations, in suspense, held their breath; men excitedly walked about and cried aloud, women shouted, sinners were convicted, mourners, then and there, were converted, and the church was mightily awakened

and edified. He preached as only Emperor Williams could preach. A great and mighty preacher is gone! He was the product of a peculiar age and surroundings, and we shall never see his like again.

Great as he was as a preacher, he had contemporaries that successfully competed with him in pulpit power. But it was as a well-rounded man, a counsellor and an executive officer that Emperor Williams excelled them all. To him belongs the proud distinction of having been the first colored man appointed a presiding elder in the Louisiana Conference, and of serving longer in that office than probably any other colored man in the church, a period of nearly twenty years. He was our Peter Cartwright. He was the first, too, to serve as a delegate from the Louisiana to the General Conference—that of 1880, at Cincinnati, O. He was honored, in 1878, with the appointment of fraternal delegate from the Methodist Episcopal to the Colored Methodist Episcopal General Conference. In the fulfillment of this mission he distinguished himself and brought himself into such prominence as to have led the church to the conclusion that in him we had produced the desired colored bishop; and had he the requisite educational equipment, it was conceded at the General Conference of 1880 that he might have been elected.

He commanded the love and respect of everybody that knew him, and he was for many years the best known colored man throughout the church. All our bishops and chief men knew him personnally, or by reputation; and they depended upon his judgment as they did upon that of no other colored man in the church. Not only was he thus trusted and honored by our bishops and high officials, but he commanded, to a remarkable degree, the love and confidence of all the members of his conference. He stood as a mighty breakwater between the impetuosity of youth and the exclusive conservatism of age that sought to antagonize each other, in an unfortunate way, in the days preceeding the session of the conference of 1880. Such was the grasp that he held upon both the young and older members of the conference! The young men looked upon him as their friend, while the older men regarded him as their leader, and respected him for his wisdom. In him the discordant elements

found common ground for mutual love and respect, and to the day of his death he was their cherished friend. In his death, both young and old members of our conference have lost a life-long mutual friend, and Bishop Hartzell, the eminent David of the Louisiana Conference, his Jonathan. We are bereft of both, for the one leaves us for heaven, now by way of New Orleans; the other leaves us for Africa, and for what we know by that way to heaven, before we meet again. Uniting with the church in the days of slavery, when a mere boy, and assisting in the organization of the Mississippi Mission Conference, December 25, 1865, he has been connected with every movement put forth by the church for the evangelization, education and advancement of the colored people in Louisiana for the past thirty years, being a member of the Board of Trustees of New Orleans University, and of the Orphans Home Board, from their charter to the day of his death. The translation of Emperor Williams removes the last of the historic twelve colored men who organized the second Christmas Conference in 1865, known as the Mississippi Mission Conference, out of which has developed the eight conferences in Mississippi, Liousiana and Texas, with their 7,000 preachers and over 100,000 members, and millions of school and church property.

The Rev. Emperor Williams was born in Nashville, Tenn., about 74 years ago. His Father was Seth Green, one of the five historic men that met their death on the scaffold, at Harper's Ferry, Va., with John Brown, the Apostle of Freedom. With the blood of Seth Green coursing through his veins, his career of peaceful conquest, followed as a natural consequence. He was brought to New Orleans when a boy. He served at the brick-layer's trade with his master, until freed as a reward for completing some difficult cornice work which his master thought him incapable of doing.

When the Methodist Episcopal Church began her work in Louisiana after the war, Bro. Williams was one of the first found at her altar to assist in its re-erection. He was ordained a deacon by Bishop Thompson. He was ordained an elder by Bishop Ames, December 27, 1867, and admitted into full connection. During the thirty-one years of his conference life, he served ten years as a pastor, eighteen a presiding elder, and

three years as an honored superanuate.

He is now gathered unto his fathers full of years and glorious conquest. May we, like him, be waiting and watching for the summons, when our warfare is past.

REV. STEPHEN PRIESTLY.

In the death of the Rev. Stephen Priestly, the Louisiana Confererence mourns the loss of one of its most intelligent and worthy leaders, and one of the most prominent of able colored preachers in the State, and it might even be said in the South. He died in the City of New Orleans, on Thursday, Oct. 29, 1896, and was buried, after an impressive service, from Williams Chapel, on Sunday Nov. 1, in Carrollton Cemetery where his sacred dust awaits the resurrection of the just. For the past thirty years he devoted all his energies to the elevation and good of his people. He was a trustee of N. O. University for many years, and up to the time of his death. Deceased was born sixty-five years ago, in the parish of St. James, and for the past thirty years had resided in New Orleans. He joined the Louisiana Conference of the M. E. Church in January, 1870, and was ordained a deacon by Bishop Janes in 1871, and an elder by Bishop Merrill in 1874. He served as pastor of the following churches: Camp Parapet, Plum Street, St. Charles, St. John, Pleasant Plains, First Street, Union Chapel, Williams Chapel, Baton Rouge and Monroe districts, and last, Mallalieu Chapel. He leaves an aged mother, a devoted wife, a son and several orphan children whose foster father he had been for many years, among these Rev. A. P. Camphor, B. D., whom he had educated, and who is now a missionary with Bishop Hartzell, in Africa, and who made the journey from New York to pay his last tribute to the deceased.

Sweet be his memory! He now rests from his labors, and his good works do follow him.

MRS. ELIZABETH HARVEY.

Mrs. Elizabeth Harvey, wife of Rev. Frank Harvey, was born in Natchitoches, La., in 1856, and died in N. O., La.,

Dec. 21, 1896, aged 40 years. She traveled with her husband as an itinerant minister for 25 years, going from place to place without complaining, being perfectly satisfied wherever her lot was cast. Early in life she was a Roman Catholic, and continued in that faith until a few months before her death. She felt that it was her duty to join the Church and die in the faith of her husband. She told him to call in a Preacher; the Rev. W. R. Butler was sent for. He baptized her and and administered to her the Lord supper. She said "the God that I have been trusting all these days is with me now. Sing "other refuge have I none," after which she passed away. Sister Harvey was a consistent christian. Her home was the home of the Preachers and Presiding Elders. Rest in peace, dear sister, we will join you in the Heaven of rest bye and bye. She leaves a husband and three children to mourn her lost, but they will see her again.

MRS. REBECCA SHELBY,

wife of Rev. David Shelby, was born in 1856, and died of heart troubles Aug. 30th, 1896, age 40 years. She was married to Rev. David Shelby in 1884. During all those years she was a ready help-meet to her husband in all of his appointments. She was beloved by all the people till death bore her away to the world of bliss. Bro. Shelby has lost a jewell but Heaven has gained a Saint.

MRS. MARIA KENNA,

mother of Rev. Joseph Johnson, died March 11, 1896, aged 68 years. Sister Kenna was a Probationer in the M. E. when she died.

MRS. ROSANNA SEVERE,

daughter of Rev. Wm. Harrison, was born in Natchitoches, La., December 31, 1872, and died June 17, 1896, aged 24 years. In 1891 she attended the Gilbert Academy under Dr. Godman.

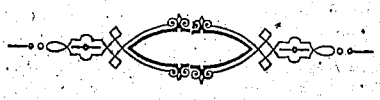
The same year she was converted during the revival there. In 1893, she was married to Mr. James Severe. She lived a consistent Christian until her death. She leaves father, mother and husband to mourn her loss.

MISS BELL,

the daughter of the Rev. Sam'l Bell, also passed to her reward during the year 1896. We extend to all the bereaved ones our tenderest sympathy and love.

GERTRUDE E. REDDIX,

daughter of Rev. B. J. Reddix, died May 7, 1896. Age 8 years.



RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions Complimentary to Bishop Walden.

Whereas we have been favored with the presence and presidency of Bishop J. M. Walden, D. D., L.L. D., at this session of our Conference, and

Whereas by his wise councils, instructive lectures, addresses and sermons, and his excellent executive ability, he has done this work an immense amount of good, therefore

Be it Resolved, That our prayers are extended in his behalf that a long life of usefulness may be his, and that we shall rejoice to have him preside over our Conference whenever he may be assigned to us.

Secretaries and Treasurers.

Resolved, That we appreciate the faithful services of our Secretaries, and that we hereby extend our thanks to them for having so efficiently performed their arduous duties.

Resolved further, That we also appreciate the able service rendered by our Conference Treasurer and his assistants.

Bishop Hartzel.

Whereas, for more than twenty-five years we have been accustomed to look into the face of Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D. D., now Bishop to Africa, and

Whereas, we have felt and do now feel that he was and is an honored part of us, and

Whereas, we feel greatly honored by the providence of God through the General Conference in his promotion, therefore,

Be it Resolved that we shall pray that great good may attend his important labors in that dark continent, and that God may bless him with health and long life in the prosecution of his glorious mission.

Thanks to the People.

Resolved that we hereby express our thanks to all the people of Donaldsonville and Darrowville, and especially to the pastor, members and friends of St. Peter M. E. Church for the generous hospitality with which they have entertained this Conference.

Resolved that the thanks of the Conference be extended to Rev. John Adam, H. C. Johnson, and Moses Vincent of the Baptist Church and to their congregation for the generosity with which they have joined in the entertainment of this Conference.

Resolved further, that we shall ever remember them all at the throne of grace.

Thanks to the Railroads.

Resolved that this Conference appreciates and is thankful to the various railroad companies for giving to us reduced rates to the seat of the Conference.

Thanks to the Press.

Resolved that this Conference extends grateful thanks to the Donaldsonville Chief, the Donaldsonville Times of this city, and Times-Democrat and Picayune of the City of New Orleans for full and interesting publication of our proceedings.

WM. DAVIS, Chairman,
WM. PORTER, Secretary.

Peck Home.

Whereas we have learned with much grief the sad news of the destruction of the Peck Mem. Home, under the supervision of the W. H. M. S. and under the direction of Miss Hickman, and

Whereas the said loss will be a great drawback in the proper training of our girls, and that its loss will mean much embarrassment to the managers, thus placing them in need of funds,

Resolved that we extend our services to the managers of the Home, and that we pledge ourselves to do all in our power to aid in the re-establishment of said Home.

W. R. BUTLER, THOS. MCCARY, HENRY TAYLOR,
W. SCOTT CHINN.

Complimentary to Dr. Curts.

Resolved, that we feel ourselves highly favored in the presence and address of the Rev. Lewis Curts, D. D., Senior Publishing Agent of the Western Methodist Episcopal Church, among us ; that we rejoice in the great success that has attended the career of the Methodist Book Concern, East and West, and that we will faithfully do our duty to the Book concern. That we pray God's blessing upon Dr. Curts, and that we shall gladly welcome him to visit us whenever he can make it convenient.

A. E. P. ALBERT.
L. G. ADKINSON,
S. DUNCAN,
WM. DAVIS.

Complimentary to Dr. Scott.

Whereas the General Conference at its last session elected the Rev. I. B. Scott, D. D., Editor of the South-Western Chris-

tian Advocate, and believing that the right thing has been done, therefore be it

Resolved, that we welcome him in our midst and pledge our undivided support in increasing the subscription to the Southwestern Christian Advocate until it shall be a self-supporting paper and pay a dividend to the Church.

S. DUNCAN,
A. E. P. ALBERT,
H. J. WRIGHT,
H. JAMES,
PIERRE LANDRY,
F. T. CHINN,
S. E. H. MORANT.
VALCOUR CHAPMAN.

Whereas the General Conference has elected our beloved brother Rev. M. C. B. Mason, D. D., one of the Corresponding Secretaries of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, Therefore, be it

Resolved, that we pledge ourselves to strive to increase the collections for the Society he so ably represents, and to do our best in assisting to raise $100,000 he has planned to raise during the quadrenium to liquidate the debt of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society.

VALCOUR CHAPMAN,
H. J. WRIGHT,
A. E. P. ALBERT
S. DUNCAN,
L. G. ADKINSON,
T. F. CHINN,
B. M. HUBBARD,
H. JAMES,
PIERRE LANDRY,
F. D. BOWERS.

Complimentary to Dr. Godman.

Whereas, The Rev. W. D. Godman, D. D., President of Gilbert Academy and Industrial College, continues in ill health in his far away home in the North ;

Whereas, In his weakness he is still striving to raise means with which to complete our new church edifice at Winsted, and to make the school for the education of our colored youths one of the best in this southland, and,

Whereas he is spending his life and energy in bringing about the scriptural injunction : "Ethiopia shall yet stretch forth her hand to God." Therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Annual Conference pray God's blessings upon him and his family. That we shall always remember him in our devotions, and though absent, we consider him with us and one of us.

PIERRE LANDRY,
A. E. P. ALBERT,
STEPHEN DUNCAN,
H. J. WRIGHT,
S. E. H. MORANT,
C. D. SHALLOWHOME,
CHAS. MONROE.

Complimentary to Mayor Leche and his fellow officials.

Whereas we have listened with so much pleasure to the enthusiastic and hearty welcome this day extended by his Excellency Mayor Leche and Alderman L. E. Bentley to the Bishop and Annual Conference in its 29th session here assembled,

Resolved, That we shall ever hold them and the other city and parish officials that have favored us with their presence and the good people of Donaldsonville in grateful remembrance, and that we shall pray for the continued prosperity of this thriving city, and as ministers and representatives of the Methodist

Episcopal Church we pledge ourselves here and elsewhere to be on the side of the law of the country and every effort inaugurated for the good of the people.

Signed : PIERRE LANDRY,
C. D. SHALBOWHOME,
A. E. P. ALBERT.

MEMORABILIA.

GENERAL CONFERENCE DELEGATES

1868. Chicago, Ill. *Mississippi Mission Conference*—John P. Newman. *Reserve*—Anthony Ross.

LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

1872. Brooklyn, N. Y. } Lucius C. Matlack. *Reserve*—William H. Daily.

1876. Baltimore, Md. Joseph C. Hartzell. *Reserves*—Henry Green L. Allinger.

1880. Cincinnat, O. Emperor Williams, Joseph C. Hartzell. *Reserves*—Marcus Dale, Samuel Davage,

1884. Philadelphia, Pa. Joseph C. Hartzell, Aristides E. P. Albert. *Reserves*—Julius F. Marshall, Stephen Duncan.

1888. New York, N. Y. Joseph C. Hartzell, Aristides E. P. Albert, Julius F. Marshall. *Reserves*—Madison C. B. Mason, Ernest Lyons, George W. Wells.

1892. Omaha, Neb. Joseph C. Hartzell, A. E. P. Albert, Pierre Landry. *Reserves*—S. Duncan, Ernest Lyon, S. Priestly.

1896. Cleveland, O. Joseph C. Hartzell, A. E. Albert, J. F. Marshall. *Reserves*—Pierre Landry, Stephen Duncan.

LAY DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE.

1872 Brooklyn, N. Y.	Pierre Landry. *Reserve*—Robert W. Bowie.
1876 Baltimore Md.	Graham Bell. *Reserve*—Cyrus Bussy.
1880 Cincinnatti, O.	Graham Bell, Washington B. Smith. *Reserves*—Morris J. Dyer, John F. Patty.
1884. Philadelphia Pa.	Graham Bell, William Duplessis. *Reserves*—Robert F. Fenno, N. D. Bush.
1888. New York City.	Graham Bell, Jason L. Jones. *Reserves*—Arthur A. Lacey, John A. Moton.
1892. Omaha, Neb.	A. G. Miller, John F. Patty, *Reserves*—Chas. C. Morse, Wm. J. Walker.
1896. Cleveland, Ohio.	Charles C. Morse, George F. Huntley. *Reserves*—Joseph A. Reddix, Rene C. Metoyer.

DFLEGATES TO ECUNEMICAL CONFERENCE.

1891. Washington, D. C.	*Ministers*—Aristides E. P. Albert, J. C. Hartzell. *Laymen*—John F. Patty, Charles M. Smith.

STATISTICS No. 1.

THOMAS McCARY, Statictical Secretary, New Orleans, La.

NAME OF CHARGE.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP				BAPTISMS		SUNDAY SCHOOL.			CHUCRH PROPERTY.						
	Number of Probationers.	Number of Full Members	Number of Local Preachers	Number of Deaths	Number of Children Baptized	Number of Adults Baptized	Number of Schools	Number of Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Number of Churches	Probable Value	Number of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property	Present Indebtedness on Church Property
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.																
Abbeville Circuit		92														
Abbeville Mission		12														
Alexandria	10	145	7	3	5		1	9	150	1	1500	1	900			
Avoca		70	5	1	2		2	8	50	2	450				2	
Boonville	20	175	7	4	5	2	1	6	125	1	1000	1	500	50	18	
Bunkie	1	36	3	1	3		1	4	38	1	900	1	200	160	89	18
Cade	22	13	1	1	33	8	1	3	45	1	400					
Cheneyville	10	115	4	2		2	1	7	60	1	1000	1	800		212	200
Cottonport and Bordelonville		16														
Eola	4	50	5	1	5	7	1	6	40	1	900	1	250	60		
Glencoe and Island	12	190	8	3	19	35	3	9	154	3	3500	1	900	165	63	165
Grand Cote and Evergreen																
Hubertville		104	4	2	5	21	1	5	57	1	800	1	200		16	
Jeanerette	3	64	2		12		1	4	55	1	1100	1	500	55	3	3
Jennings and Welch																
Lafayette		27	3	5	12		1	3	35	1	300				12	
Lecompte and Spr. Creek	6	74	3	2	10	8	2	10	85	3	1200	1	200	70	140	25
Lake Charles	12	40	2	2	5	3	1	7	50	1	1800	1	300	122		50
Morrow		10	1	0			1	6	55	1	150			12		8
New Iberia	15	150	1	5	35	9	1	10	150	1	3000	1	1000	200	120	250
Olevier	18	13	2	2	5	3	1	3	25	1	600	1	100	21	20	100
Opelousas	6	95	4	3	50	20	1	6	150	1	300	1	100	150	175	150
Pineville	6	30	3		2	1	1	6	40	1	1000	1	200	15		12
Pattouville	4	16	2		6		1	4	50	1	500				12	350
Rayne and Crowley	13	17	2	1	12	8	1	3	26							
St. Martinville	15	179	5	4	29	35	1	9	125	1	1100	1	700	40	29	3
St. Peter	4	100	4	2	33		1	6	48	1	900	1	250	6	9	
Sorrell and Union	19	32	2	2	25	3	2	6	37	2	700			1	35	182
Sunflower	5	25			4		1	2	35	1				2		

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NAME OF CHARGE.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP				BAPTISMS		SUNDAY SCHOOL.			CHUCRH PROPERTY.						
	Number of Probationers	Number of Full Members	Number of Local Preachers	Number of Deaths	Number of Children Baptized	Number of Adults Baptized	Number of Schools	Number of Officers and Teachers	Number of Scholars	Number of Churches	Probable Value	Number of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property	Present Indebtedness on Church Property
Washington Pleasance	25	179	6	3	30	2	2	12	125	2	3000	1	1000	10	20	
Willowglen and Moorland																
Waxia and Palmetto	6	33	2		8		1	6	37	1	1400	1			8	
Woodsworth																
Total	224	2000	86	50	355	167	31	161	1837	32	27,500	18	8100	838	983	1516
BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.																
Albert Chapel	26	113	9	6	30	15	1	12	114	1	2500	1	700	50	300	
St. Mark	9	40	5		6		2	5	100	1	1000	1		24	200	608
Wesley Chapel	29	320	3	6	20	15	1	10	200	1	10000				500	2500
Bayou Goula		18	3		8		1	2	30	1	500			14		
Baker and Plank Road	6	59	1	2	3	9	1	3	35	1	500			28		9
Clinton	25	80	2	5	2	15	1	9	75	1	1500	1	500	170	90	
Conrad	2	56	6		12		1	9	70	1	1200	1	300	50	13	10
Hartzell Chapel	13	100	4	1	6		1	9	100	1	2200	1	450	234	20	36
Jackson	4	48	3	2	4	1	2	6	75	2	1200	1	200	10	146	45
Letsworth and Union	7	98	8				2	11	78	2	900	1	100	15		
Macedonia Circuit	22	153	5	3	12	20	3	12	150	3	1300	1	200	16		
Merrell Chapel and Mt. Zion		60	4				2	7	50	2	700	1	100	7		
Mt. Carmel	18	150	2		10		1	10	60	1	600	1	200	65		15
Musson Circuit	13	64	6	2	27	3	3	12	130	3	900	1	100	9	5	5
Melville and Sumner	4	56	6	1	5		2	5	83	2	500				137	83
New Roads	1	30	1	1	4	1	1	5	300	1	500	1	200	16	3	
Plaquemine and Indian Village	7	40	3		20	6	2	4	30	1	1800	1	600		226	225
Port Allen	14	118	4	1	25	3	2	14	154	1	900	1	300	260	15	180
Priestley and Jones Creek	7	49	3	2	3		2	6	60	2	600	1	250			4
Red River and Island																
Rylander Chapel	13	44	3	7	8	19	1	7	28	1	500	1	100	5	3	15

Slaughter	5	73	7	1	10	10	1	8	70	1	1000	1	200	20	113	25
Stony Point Circuit	9	75	6		3		3	9	85	3	1000	1	150	400		
St. Luke and Brandon	3	28	1	2	5	1	2	5	34	2	600			56		300
St. Peter	8	132		3	3	35	1	8	115	1	900	1	100	25	25	
St. Paul and Vincent	4	55	1	2	2		2	8	68	2	800	1	100	500	54	85
Wesley and Asbury	5	89	2	3	15	5	2	8	120	2	1200	1	100	70		125
Wilson and Norwood	4	38	1		1	13	2	6	54	1	500			290		96
28 Total	258	2185	99	50	244	170	44	210	2468	40	35,800	21	4950	2283	1851	4365
MONROE DISTRICT.																
Anderson	4	3			5	3	1	2	12	1	100			5		
Bastrop and Washington	5	129	3	7	39	9	2	13	120	2	990	2	100	224		
Bonita	8	12				5	1	3	25							
Casper and Jones	3	39	1	2	5	6	2	6	25	2	1210	1	150	10	28	1880
Collinston	4						1	1	18							
Delhi	5	15	1				1	5	15	1	150	1		15		
Fort Necessity										1						
Lake Providence	6	100	3		7	1	1	8	76	1	1569	1	150	44	608	
Monroe	9	127	4	1	13	12	1	8	98	1	1700	1	500	150	17	375
Mt. Nebo	2	85	3	2	18	1	1	12	74	1	1000	1	100	260	100	
Mt. Sinai and Beulah	1	101	7	3	29	3	2	11	101	2	1655	1	250	210	6	510
Oak Ridge		38	1				1	5	28							
Winnsboro	4	8	1	1	1	6	1	4	23	1	150					
Waco	11	22	3				2	6	30	2	400				5	19
14 Total	62	682	27	16	117	46	17	84	645	15	8924	8	1250	923	759	2774
NATCHITOCHES DISTRICT.																
Allen and St. Paul	10	113	4		4	5	3	14	85	3	1300	1	100		200	7
Alpha and Union	28	60	1	2	4	6	4	10	36	4	600	1	50	39	64	
Bedford	28	119	6			12	3	8	80	3	2500	1	100	8	8	
Boyce and Williams' Creek	13	54	1	6	14	1	2	6	56	2	500	1	111	16	3	13
Campte and Mt. Zion	40	139	7	5	45	17	2	11	65	2	1500	1	250	43		
Chopin and Old River	4	45	3		3		3	18	76							
Colfax and Kateland																
Columbus	19	122	2	3	4	25	3	8	122	3	550	1	100		6	1
Coushatta	11	67	3		2	2	2	7	47	2	700	1	50	12		
Cane River	2	25	1	1	11	8	1	3	15	2	400			30		7
Fairmount and Kynette	7	86	3	3	9		2	5	74	2	876	1	40	113	40	132
Lake End	1	7				1	1	4	18	1	350			40	10	6
Marthaville and Many	30	102	4	2	3	21	3	18	131	4	1090	2	125	53	14	56
Natchitoches	34	160	8	7	17	13	2	12	125	1	400	1	40	3		27
Naborton	2	18	1	1		7	1	5	20	1	250			166		6
Pleasant Hill	24	109	5	2	11	22	3	9	75	3	1200	1	250		33	15

Robeline	8	93	3	2	3	1	3	9	85	3	600	1	50	78		4
Total	246	1318	52	34	129	141	38	146	1110	36	12816	13	1266	598	378	274
NEW ORLEANS CENTRAL.																
St. Charles Avenue	36	70		1	3	1	1	12	70	1	47700	1	3000	630		50
Hammond	3	93	1	1	2	2	1	16	142	1	2200	1	1500	117	54	525
First Italian	14	23	1	1	2	3	2	6	20	1	12000			500	1050	5000
Total	53	186	2	3	7	6	4	34	232	3	61900	2	4500	1247	1104	5575
NEW ORLEANS NORTH DISTRICT.																
Asbury Mission		25	3		5		1	6	45	1	600	1	200			
Darrowville		32	3		21		1	3	40	1	950	1	250		9	42
Franklinton	11	44	1	1	33	8	2	13	63	2	1400				12	
Gretna	2	35	6	3	15	4	1	6	50	1	1500				50	
Kenner	1	20	1		2		1	5	15	1	200	1	50			
Laplace	1	10			2		1	4	42	1	400					
Mandeville	7	13	1	1	3		1	4	20	1	800	1	177	13		
Malden Chapel	5	25	2	4	9	4	1	7	39	1	900			20	25	160
Mt. Zion	15	280	6	5	20	6	1	15	300	1	8000		756			
Nashua																
New River	1	37	9		9	9	1	2	30	2	600					
Pleasant Plains	14	87	5	6	50	2	1	12	95	1	5000			296	91	
Ponchatoulas	2	23	3	1	5	1	1	4	30	2	1200	1	300	12		
Thompson Chapel	30	93	2	2	6		1	9	63	1	2500			101		
St. Matthew	2	68	5	3	4		1	7	58	1	1300				30	450
St. Charles	12	63	6	1	8	2	1	14	90	1	1000	1	400	75		
St. John	8	32	2		1	5	1	5	32	1	800					
Scott Chinn Chapel	18	76	8	1	9	13	1	11	113	1	1800			342	8	
Shady Grove	22	129	3	3	13	12	3	6	140	2	300					
Slidell and Pearlville	10	70	1	2	12		2	7	65	2	2000	1	500	77	12	
Union Chapel	25	365	5	12	27	14	1	14	150	1	12500			1132		1760
Whitehall	37	195	12	6	24		1	8	70	1	2000	1	300			275
Wesley Chapel	58	800	8	37	96		1	12	320	1	30000	1	2000	1500	500	1262
Total	271	2522	92	87	375	80	26	174	1865	27	75750	9	4933	3568	737	3949
NEW ORLEANS SOUTH DISTRICT.																
Beattieville		40	1		2		1	6	45	1	1000			15		8
Berwick	3	40	5	3	3		1	12	47	1	2500	1	500			
Camp Parapett	4	60	6	2	4		2	8	70	2	1500	1	500			6
Centreville and Verdenville	16	135	1	10	20		1	8	45	1	6000	1	800		350	2566
Donaldsonville																

Franklin	20	126	1		11	7	1	9	100	1	4000	2	1500		200	265
First St. Church	25	275	7	14	24	15	1	12	250	1	25000					5000
Godman Chapel	3	28	4		12		1	8	31	1	2000	1	500	150	25	235
Houma and Dulac	5	42	8	3	5		1	8	60	2	5000	2	1500	169	178	
Haven Chapel		47	6	2	15	5	1	8		1	4000			150		30
Island	2	15		1	4		1	3	21	1	200					
Labadeville	2			1	1											
Morgan City	4	46	4	2	10	3	1	6	75	1	2000	1	300	58		500
Mallalieu	26	103	6	4	5		1	14	48	1	3000					
Napoleonville	11	62	7	3	16	2	2	7	61	2		1	300	25	125	
Pattersonville	1	6	2				1	2	12	1	1500				6	300
Simpson Chapel	35	350	3	10	40	15	1	25	250	1	6100			150	262	600
Schriever		8	3		2		1	8	80	1	1200	1	200	500		350
St. Patrick and St. James	2	12	1	2	5	1	1	3	29							
Thibodaux	2	87	2	4	10	1	1	6	80	1	5000	1	200	80	24	1100
University Chapel	10	22	1			8										
Viron Chapel		27	1		11		1	3	15	1	1500			172	25	87
Williams' Chapel	10	130	8	3	8	2	1	10	94	1	5000	1	500		339	220
Winsted	14	113	7	3	15	45	2	14	250	1	8000	2	1500	20	24	
Woodlawn	15	150	2	7	32	3	1	7	85	1	2500	1	800	150	42	35
25 Total	210	1996	87	69	254	107	25	193	1868	24	91500	16	9100	1681	1600	8111

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

Bodcau	8	49	2		3	1	1	5	39	2				30		5
Brownlee	2	40	3	1	6	3	2	10	41	4	700	1	150		22	
Fairfield	3	86	3	3	4	12	1	3	32	2	1000	1	300	29	37	35
Flournay	28	152	4	16	10	28	2	10	82	2	950	1	200	26		8
Longstreet	2	130	20	2	18		3	18	160	3	2000	1	150	40	4	22
Grand Cane	8	67	4	2			2	6	60	2	1100	1		125	5	
Mansfield	10	134	6			4	2	10	79	2	3500	1	150	1035		467
Minden and Odem										1	150					
Rocky Mound		86	2	1		3	3	8	75	3	900			150	34	
Round Grove	3	50	3	1		2	2	7	45	2	1000			5		
Shady Grove	17	237	10	3	10	10	3	10	180	3	2150	1	275	94	5	
St. James	8	196	7	13	13		1	9	142	1	6000	1	800		53	270
St. Paul	17	158	4	3	10	3	1	14	165	1	12000	1	1200	20	150	1195
Vauceville	5	161	3	1		20	1	18	50	1	1300	1	200	260	2	120
14 Total	111	1536	71	46	74	86	24	130	1050	29	32750	10	3425	1814	311	2022

RECAPITULATION NO. 1

Of the Eight Districts, Louisiana Annual Conference.

Districts.	Church Membership: Number of Probationers	Church Membership: Number of Full Members	Church Membership: Number of Local Preachers	Church Membership: Number of Deaths	Baptisms: Number of Children Baptized	Baptisms: Number of Adults Baptized	Sunday School: Number of Schools	Sunday School: Number of Officers and Teachers	Sunday School: Number of Scholars	Church Property: Number of Churches	Church Property: Probable Value	Church Property: Number of Parsonages	Church Property: Probable Value	Church Property: Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages	Church Property: Paid on old indebtedness on Church Property	Church Property: Present Indebtedness on Church Property
Alexandria	224	2000	86	50	355	167	31	161	1837	32	27500	18	8100	838	983	1516
Baton Rouge	258	2185	99	50	244	170	44	210	2468	40	35800	21	4950	2283	1851	4356
Monroe	62	682	27	16	117	46	17	84	645	15	8924	8	1250	923	759	2774
Natchitoches	246	1318	52	34	129	141	38	146	1110	36	12816	13	1266	598	378	274
New Orleans Central	53	186	2	3	7	6	4	34	232	3	61900	2	4500	1247	1104	5575
New Orleans North	271	2522	92	87	375	80	26	174	1865	27	75750	9	4933	3568	737	3449
New Orleans South	210	1996	87	69	254	107	25	193	1868	24	91500	16	9100	1681	1600	8111
Shreveport	111	1536	71	46	74	86	24	130	1050	29	32750	10	3425	1814	311	2022
Total	1405	12410	516	355	1555	803	209	1122	11705	206	346940	97	37524	13952	7723	28577

STATISTICS No. 3.

THOMAS McCARY, Statistical Secretary, New Orleans, La.

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CLAIMS. Salary	House Rent	Total.	RECEIPTS. Salary	House Rent	Total	Defficiency	Support of P. E. Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Support of Bishops Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.	Conference Claimants. Received from Collections.	Other sources.	Total.	Current Exp's. Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	S.School: Lesson leaves, books, etc
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.																		
Abbeville Circuit																		
Abbeville Mission																		
Alexandria	Wm. J. M. Price	480	120	600	285	120	405	195	60	30	5	1	436	1		1	100	75
Avoca	Thomas Williams	255		255	88		88	167	20	16	1		104				6	
Boonville	H. C. Gair	650		650	300		300	350	60	60	1	1	361				10	3
Bunkie	E. Harris	300	60	360	94	60	154	206	20	10	2	1	165				1	
Cade	A. J. Johnson	225	60	285	75	60	185	100	12		1		185				20	
Cheneyville	J. A. Vincent	450	80	530	264	80	344	185	40	19	2		363				36	
Cottonport and Bordenville																		
Eola	H. W. Welsh	300	24	324	175	24	199	125	40	30	5	1	230				5	3
Olencoe and Island	Z. T. Gayden	640	96	730	450	96	730	190	46	37	5	3	490	3		3	36	
Grand Cote and Evergreen																		
Hubertville	J. S. Jones	360	20	380	165	20	185	195	32	24	2	1	210				4	24
Jeanerette	J. L. Augustus	500		500	229		229	271	40	24	2	1	254				100	2
Jennings and Welsh																		
Lafayette	W. J. Walker	400	36	436	90	60	150	286	20	7	1	1	158				30	
Le Compte and Spr. Creek	Austin Thomas	200	30	230	175	30	205	250	20	22	1	1	228				5	
Lake Charles																		
Morrow	Aaron Kyle	175	30	205	75	30	105	100	10	3	1	1	109				4	
New Iberia	A. H. Banks	600	60	660	500	60	560	100	48	34	3	1	595	1		1	15	
Olivier	Robert Anderson	250	24	274	25	24	49	225	12	1	1		50				3	
Opelousas	E. B. Richards	500	72	572	300	72	372	200	40	30	1		330	1		1	50	
Pineville	M. H. Hunter	300	60	360	40	60	100	260	20	5	1		105				5	30
Pattouville	Willis Carr	150		150	48		48	102	10	1			49				4	
Rayne and Crowley	J. H. Thompson	175	45	220	80	41	121	99	6	3	1		124				12	2
St. Martinsville	J. W. Turner	500	60	560	450	60	510	50	40	38	2	1	549				34	5
St. Peter	C. W. Kershaw	350	60	410	150	60	210	200	36	13	1		223				10	8
Sorrell and Union	S. Tillman	250	12	262	50	12	62	198	12	7	1		57					
Sunflower	William L. Amos	250		250	47		47	203	16	4	1	1	52				1	
Washington and Plaisance	A. J. Picket	600	60	660	400	60	460	200	60	50	1	1	501				52	150
Willow Glen and Moreland																		
Waxia and Palmetto	Joseph Johnson	350	48	398	175	50	225	173	20	12	1		237				4	6
Woodworth																		
Total		9210	961	10251	4730	803	6043	4630	720	480	43	16	9166	6		6	543	306

NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	PASTOR'S SUPPORT. CLAIMS Salary	House Rent	Total.	RECEIPTS Salary	House Rent	Total	Deficiency	Support of P. E. Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Support of Bishops Amount Apportioned.	Amount paid.	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.	Conference Claimants. Received from Collections.	Other sources.	Total.	Current Exp's. Church: Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	S.School: Lesson leaves, books, etc
BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.																		
Albert Chapel	J. D. Pool	575	60	635	248	60	308	327	44	34	2	1	343		1		15	40
St. Mark	H. Daniel	500	50	550	251	25	276	254	24	24	1	1	302		1	1		
Wesly Chapel	A. Moore	60	90	740	630	74	704	36	88	60	5	5	769		5	5	157	14
Bayou Goula	M. J. Dyer	300		300	82		82	218	24	7	1	1	90				4	4
Baker and Plank Road	D. Harrison	200		400	73		73	127	20	12	1	1		1	1	1		100
Clinton	J. O. Richards.	450	24	474	325	24	349	125	50	50			399				25	
Conrad	B. J. Reddix	500	36	536	187	36	223	277	28	28	1	1	252		1	1	6	1
Hartzell Chapel	I. Scoot	500	72	572	375	72	447	125	40	40	2	1	488				25	3
Jackson and Argodine	G. A. Payne	500	24	524	170	24	194	330	52	35	2	1	232		6	6	18	2
Letsworth and Union	C. C. Wright	480	30	510	220	30	250	260	48	48	1	1	269				9	
Macedonia Circuit	E. Hutchenson	500	24	524	385	24	409	115	52	52	2	2	453					
Merel and Mt. Zion	B. Carr	200							36	21	1	1						
Mount Carmel	J. H. Rylander	400	48	448	200	48	248	200	44	23	2	1	272	1	1	2	15	52
Musson Circuit.	A. J. Davis	450	36	486	312	36	348	136	48	45	2	1	394				27	
Melville and Sumner	H. A. McClenne	300	48	348	177	48	225	123	36	36	1	1	262	1		1	22	9
New Roads	C. E. Bradford	250	25	275	156	25	181	94	24	24	1	1	181	1		1	7	60
Plaquemine & Indian Village	E. C. Goins	500		500	300		300	200	53	32	3	1	333	1		1	16	
Port Allen and Brusley	M. P. Franklin	432	60	492	347	60	407	190	40	32	2	2	441				5	1
Priestley and Jones Chapel	Allen Luster	300		300	87		87	213	22	8	1	1	96				5	1
Red River and Island	H. J. Robinson																	
Rylander Chapel	J. H. Craig	300	18	318	101	18	119	190	20	20			139				2	
Slaughter	H. A. Sorrell	350	30	380	220	30	250	130	32	29	1	1	280	1		1	6	
St. Paul and Vincent	R. C. Worsham	350		350	86		86	264	32	27			113				3	
Stony Point Circuit	C. M. Angrum	300	48	348	171	48	219	129	48	44	2		263					
St. Luke and Brandon	Samuel Green.	125	25	150	97	25	122	28	20	12	1		134				5	3
St. Peter	Wm. Emmette	300	40	340	298	40	338	200	32	32	1	1	371	1		1	5	
Wesley and Asbury	A. J. Proctor	350	36	386	125	36	161	225	40	32	2	1	194	1		1	20	4
Wilson and Norwood	C. Spears	150		150	100		100	50	20	20	1	1	121					
Total		10112	824	3936	15763	783	6136	4775	1015	819	33	28	5787	22	16	26	206	293

MONROE DISTRICT.																			
Anderson	Austin Jones	100		100	18		18	82	10	10			28						
Bastrop and Washington		450	25	475	153	25	178	272	60	42	2	1	221				12	8	
Bonita		75	50	125	48		48	77	18	18			36						
Casper and Jones		350	36	386	188	36	224	162	46	26	1	1	215				5	1	
Collinston	A. Smith	30	50	80	36	50	86		20	20	1	1	57						
Delhi		75	50	125	75		75	50	20		1	1	76	1		1			
Fort Necessity		100	25	125	75		75	50					75						
Lake Providence	F. M. Lashington	800	60	860	232	60	292	428	60	60			352				30	21	
Monroe	G. J. Rogers	800	60	860	300	60	360	440	50	50	2	1	411				65		
Mount Nebo	A. Venable	325	50	375	202	50	252	123	44	43	1	1	296	4	1	5	28	1	
Mount Sinai and Beulah	N. Randolph	450	50	500	100	25	125	375	50	40	2	2	167						
Oak Ridge		60	50	110	25	10	35	75	12	12			47				6	2	
Winnsboro	J. E. Johnson	90	50	140	20		65	55	24	24			44						
Waco	W. W. Hann	105	50	155	35	20	55	70	20	20			75				6	2	
Total		3810	606	4416	1507	336	1888	2259	424	365	10	8	2080	5	1	6	152	35	
NATCHITOCHES DISTRICT.																			
Allen and St. Paul	M. T. Fairfax	160	50	210	82	50	132	76	32	25	1		106	1		1	6		
Alpha and Union	J. F. Goins	120	12	132	50	12	62	70	60	12			62				4	1	
Bedford	Alf. McGlocklin	400	50	450	297	50	347	102	50	50	1	1	348				6		
Boyce and Williams' Creek	J. W. Lewis	250	60	310	162	60	212	198	20	16	1		228				21		
Campti and Mt. Zion	M. S. Goins	450	30	480	231	30	261	219	50	43	2	1	275				15	2	
Chopin and Old River	G. G. Galston	150		150	27		27	122	15	15	2	2	44						
Colfax and Kateland	J. R. Williams																		
Columbus	William Ector																		
Coushatta and Mt. Zion	M. C. Harrison	400	25	425	183	25	208	202	33	17			225				7	1	
Cane River	H. C. Chapman	75		75				75	7		1						4		
Fairmount and Kynet	David Shelby	400	60	460	157	60	217		40		4						17	3	
Lake End	Will C. Dyas	30		30	3		3	27	7	1	1		4				1		
Marthaville and Many	J. J. Obee	329	48	377	180	48	228	109	32	18	5		247				14	2	
Natchitoches & Grand Ecoe	I. C. Clemons	500	60	560	147	60	207	352	62	58	5	1	266	1		1	26	2	
Naborton	Will L. Dyas	45	15	60	30	15	45	15	6	5	1	1	50				2	1	
Pleasant Hill	William Harrison	460	54	514	134	54	188	326	40	25			159		1	1		11	
Robeline and New Town	NeptuneRandolph	321	20	341	153	20	173	148	32	23	1	1	197	1		1	11		
Total		4090	484	4274	1836	484	2410	2041	546	208	25	6	2149	3	1	4	134	23	
NEW ORLEANS CENTRAL DIST.																			
St. Charles Ave	E. W. Osborn	800	250	1050	800	250	1050				2	2	1052	2		2			
Hammond	J. C. Orcutt	400	120	520	310	120	430	89	16	16			447	1	1	2	38	40	
First Italian Church	Joseph Vital	800	250	1050	800		800	250		800									
Total		2000	620	2620	1910	370	1480	339	16	816	2	2	1499	3	1	4	38	40	

NEW ORLEANS NORTH DIST.																			
Asbury and Algiers	B. Bolden	200	30	230	100	30	130	100	28	15	2		145				3		
Dorrowville	Ed. Fields	300		300	106		106	194	30	19			125	1	1	1			
Franklinton and Hayes Cr.	Samael Bell	160		160	100		100	60	20	22	1	1	123						
Gretna	Frank Harvey	550		550	175		175	325	40	20	1	1	196				10		
Laplace and Lutcher	N. Burton	6		6				6	20	10	1	1	11						
Mandeville and Winam	Jules Benn	200	36	236	96	36	132	68	20	8	2		140				2		
Malden Chapel																			
Mt. Zion	T. G. Montgomery	900	140	1040	650	41	691	349	98	72	5	5	768	5		5	225	200	
New River	Abram Hilton	150		150	97		97	53	32	22			119						
Nashua and Lower Coast	Wm. Davis																		
Pleasant Plains	D. G. Butler	500	96	596	500	72	572	24	40	40	3	3	615	2		2	56		
Ponchatoula and Springfield	E. P. Harris	200	60	260	78	60	138	122	32	6			144		1		9		
St. Matthew	Wm. Porter	600	96	696	450	31	481	205	36	41			522	2	1	3	32	9	
Scott Chinn	E. Baptiste	600	96	696	500	96	596	100	54	54			640		1				
Shady Grove	A. Lacey	175		175	80		80	95	40	26			106						
St. Charles	E. H. Clark	350	60	410	350	60	410	40	40	41	100	100	451		1	1	14½	260	
St. John	D. G. Taylor	180	30	210	153	30	183	27	32	30	1	1	214	1		1	4	2	
Thomson Chapel	D. W. Boatner	600	72	676	318	42	360	312	50	34	1		394				24	2	
Union Chapel	Henry Taylor	936	168	1104	742	144	886	217	140	120	3	3	1009				273	31	
Wesley Chapel	T. J. Johnson	988	150	1138	988	150	1138		150	150	10	10	1298				20	6	
Whitehall	Samuel Davage	750	60	810	182	60	242	568	60	58	5	3	303				28		
Slidell and Pearlville	J. M. Bryan	400	60	460	207	60	267	193	40	37	1	1	205	1	1	2	7		
Kenner and Hanson City	H. C. Armston	200	40	240	331		38	162	20	12	2	1	51					5	
2 Total		8988	1188	10359	6310	912	6828	3226	1018	828	39	31	7650	10	5	15	631	282	
NEW ORLEANS SOUTH DIST.																			
Beattieville	B. J. Jackson	120	33	153	51	33	84	69	20	14	1	1	66				36		
Berwick																			
Camp Parapette	J. W. Hilton								24	6	1	1	2						
Centreville and Verdenville	J. W. Smith	300	60	360	200	40	240	120	40	40	1	1	281		1	1			
	John Wilson																		
Donaldsonville	C. D. Shallowhorne	800	120	920	600	120	720	200	80	40	5	5	805		2	2	76	20	
Franklin	Valcour Chapman	500	120	620	400	120	520	100	50	21	1	1	541	1		1	60	4	
First St. Church	W. R. Butler	1000	144	1144	955	11	966	178	100	100	10	5	1071	5		5	305	100	
Godman Chapel	J. H. Pierre	250	60	310		60			25	20	1	1					50	3	
Houma and Dulac	D. M. Seals	500	60	560	362	60	422	138	50	18	1	1	441				40	40	
Haven Chapel	Frank Walker	450	30	480	300	30	330	120	30	14	1	1	345	1		1	40	4	
Island	John Davis	50	24	74	35	24	74	15	10	6			65						
Labadieville	Duke Davis	50		50					3	2			3						
Morgan City	Chas. Crockett	200	60	260	159	60	219	41	40	40	1	1	260	302	308	610	7		
Mallalieu	W. Scott Chinn	800	72	872	460	50	510	362	60	59	1	1	571				70	10	
Napoleonville	Sanders Carroll	500	48	548	267	48	315	233	60	47	2	1	363				97	8	
Pattersonville	John Wilson	200	24	224	188	24	212	12	20	4	1	1	217				10		
Simpson Chapel	David J. Price	800	132	932	800	105	905	95	80	80	5	5	990				139	150	
Schriever	W. S. Harris	400		400	200		200	200			40	20	220				20		

St. Patrick and St. James	E. H. Scott	60	36	96		30	30	93	5	5			8	4		4		1
Thibodaux	Thos. McCary	500	60	560	365	60	425	135	50	29	1	1	555	1	11	12	29	20
University Chapel	L. G. Adkinson								30	30	2	2	32					
Viron Chapel	Paul Narcisse	400	24	424	76	24	100	300	20	10	1	1	111	1		1	5	
Williams' Chapel	Chas. Monroe	600	60	660	507	60	567	95	44	35	1	1	605	1		1	79	
Winsted	F. D. Bowers	500	50	550	255	50	305	244	50	30	2	2	337	2		2	8	
Woodlawn	R. C. Barrow	320	60	380	350	60	410		60	45			395				65	6
Total		8990	1217	9751	6179	1139	7769	2639	888	650	29	33	7933	318	311	312	1042	340
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.																		
Bodcau	Pompey Bibbs	350	26	376	186	26	212	164	26	21	2	2	235				5	
Brownlee	Simon Mitchell	336	36	372	110	36	146	226	20	16	2	1	167				18	10
Fairfield	S. A. Mason	390	60	450	134	60	194	256	30	27	2	2	223				5	
Flournay	John McKee	500	36	536	175	36	211	325	48	43	4	1	255					
Grand Cane	James Robertson.																	
Longstreet	S. R. Hason	300	50	350	147	50	197	153	50	48	2	1	246				10	
Mansfield	James O. Brown	255	40	295	220	40	260	25	45	37	4	1	298				14	
Minden and Odam	H. T. O. Abbott																	
Rocky Mound	J. D. Brightop	250	5	255	120	5	125	130	26	26	1	1	152					
Round Grove	Hernando Daniel.	300	24	324		24	24	300	15	10			34					
Shady Grove	P. C. Colton	400	45	445	164	45	209	236	50	50	1	1	260				13	
St. James	B. M. Hubbard	800	120	920	681	120	801	119	74	58	8	8	867	5		5	89	58
St. Paul	J. A. Tircuit	850	180	1030	850	180	1030		80	62	8	8	1100	5		5	1402	30
Vanceville	Alfred Gray	450	60	510	300	60	360	150	50	50	2	1	411				43	40
Total		5181	682	5863	3087	682	3769	2094	514	448	34	27	4248	10		10	1599	159

RECAPITULATION No. 3,

Of the Eight Districts, Louisiana Conference.

Districts.	Presiding Elders.	Pastor's Support. Claims. Salary	Claims. House Rent	Claims. Total.	Receipts. Salary	Receipts. House Rent	Receipts. Total	Deficiency	Support of P. E. Amount Apportioned.	Support of P. E. Amount paid.	Support of Bishops Amount Apportioned.	Support of Bishops Amount paid.	Total Support: Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops.	Conference Claimants. Received from Collections.	Received from Other sources.	Total.	Current Exp's. Church; Sexton, light, fuel, etc.	S. School: Lesson leaves, books, etc
Alexandria	S. E. H. Morant	9210	961	10251	4730	803	6043	4630	720	480	43	16	9166	6		6	543	306
Baton Rouge	J. F. Marshall	10112	824	20936	15763	783	6136	4775	1015	819	33	28	5787	22		26	206	293
Monroe	F. T. Chinn	3810	606	4416	1507	336	1888	2259	424	365	10	8	2080	5	1	6	152	35
Natchitoches	H. J. Wright	4090	484	4274	1836	484	2410	2041	546	208	25	6	2149	3	1	4	134	23
New Orleans Central	L. G. Adkinson	2000	620	2620	1910	370	1480	339	16	816	2	2	1499	3	1	4	38	40
New Orleans North	S. Duncon	8988	1188	10359	6310	912	6828	3226	1018	828	39	31	7650	10	5	15	631	282
New Orleans South	P. Landry	8990	1217	9751	6179	1137	7769	2639	888	650	29	33	7033	318	311	312	1042	340
Shreveport	H. James	5181	682	5865	3087	682	3769	2094	516	448	34	27	4248	10		10	1599	159
Total		52381	7282	68470	41362	5302	36323	22003	5143	4614	215	151	39612	377	319	383	4345	1478

STATISTICS No. 4.

THOMAS McCARY, Statistical Secretary, New Orleans, La.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																	
	MISSIONS.																	
	Church	Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension.	Sunday-school Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and South. Educa. Socie y	Educat'n Public Educational Collection.	Children's Fund	American Bible Soc'ty	Woman's Foreign Miss'y Society	Woman's Home Miss'y Society	Total other Benevolent Collections	Gen. Conference Exp.	Conference Claimants	Episcopal Fund	Total
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.																	
Abbeville Circuit																	
Abbeville Miss on																	
Alexandria	12	8	20	3			10		10						1	1	65
Avoca	5		5				1			1						1	13
Boonville	3	3	6	2	1	1	5	1	1	1		1		1	1	1	28
Bunkie	1	1	2	1			1									1	7
Cade																	14
Cheneyville	4		4	1	1	1	3										14
Cottonport and Bordenville																	
Eola	2		2	1		1	3					1			1		12
Crawford and Island	10	6	16	10	1	1	10		3	1		1		1	3	1	74
Grand Cote and Evergreen																3	3
Hubertville	4		4	2		1	2								1		14
Jeanerette	8	1	9	2	1	1	3		1			1			1	1	29
Jennings and Welsh																1	1
Lafayette	2		2	1	1	1	2										9
Lecompte and Spr. Creek	5		5	3			3									1	12
Lake Charles																1	1
Marrow	1	1	2	1			1								1		7
New Iberia	5		5	4	1	1	5	1	2	1	1	1			1	2	30
Opelousas	2	1	3	2	1		2									1	12
Pattouville															1		1
Olivier																	
Rayne and Crowley	1		1	1	1		1										5
St. Martinsville	14		14	3		1	8	3							2	1	46
St. Peter	3		3						1								7
Sorrell and Union	2	1	2				1										6
Sunflower	3	1	3	1	1	1									1	1	12
Pineville	1		1	1	1	1	1										6

NAMES OF CHARGES.	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.																	
	MISSIONS.																	
	Church	Sunday-school	Total	Board of Church Extension.	Sunday-school Union	Tract Society	Freedmen's Aid and South. Educa. Society	Educat'n Public Educational Collection.	Children's Fund	American Bible Soc'ty	Woman's Foreign Miss'y Society	Woman's Home Miss'y Society	Total other Benevolent Collections	Gen. Conference Exp.	Conference Claimants	Episcopal Fund	Total
Washington and Pleasance	10		10	2	1	1	5	1									30
Willow Glen and Moreland																	
Waxia and Palmetto	2		2	1	1	1	2										9
Woodsworth																	
Total	108	22	130	42	12	13	70	6	18	4	1	5		2	14	17	497
BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.																	
Albert's Chapel	3	1	4	4		1	5		1				15		1	1	35
Bayou Goula	2		2	1			2										7
Baker and Plank Road	2		2				2								1		9
Clinton	3		3	1			10		1						1		16
Conrad	2	4	6	2	1	1	6		1	1	1	1		1	1	1	29
Hartzell Chapel	9	2	11	2	1	2	8		1						1	1	38
Jackson and Argodine		2	2	2	1	1	1	1				1	10		1	1	23
Letsworth and Union	1	1	2				2	1									7
Macedonia	4	6	10	3	1	1	15		1	1		1		2	2	2	49
Merrell and Mt. Zion	1		1	1			2									1	6
Mt. Carmel	2	3	5	1		1	5								1	1	19
Musson Circuit	1		1	1	1	1										1	7
Melville and Sumner				8											1		8
New Roads	2		2	2										7	1	1	15
Plaquemine and Indian Village	8		8	3		1	5									1	26
Port Allen	6		6	2		1	9								1	1	26
Priestly and Jones' Creek	1		1	1													3
Red River and Island																	
Rylander Chapel	1		1		1		3						10				16
Slaughter	4	1	5	2			4										16
St. Paul and Vincent	2		2			1	2			1					1		8
Stoney Point Circuit	3		3		2	2	3										13
St. Luke and Brandon	1		1	1													3

St. Peter	3		3				8								1	1	16
Wesley and Asbury	3		3	2	1	1	3	2	1						1	1	18
Wesley Chapel	15	10	25	11	1	1	22		2	1	1	1	67		5	5	156
St. Marks	4		4	2			5								1	1	17
Total	78	30	108	50	10	15	132	4	8	3	2	4	109	1	21	20	612
MONROE DISTRICT.																	
Anderson	1		1		1												3
Bastrop and Washington		4	4	2	1	1	3		3	1		1	1				
Bonita	1		1	2	1	1											21
Caspel	2		2	1			1									1	6
Collinston	1	1	2														4
Delhi	7	1	8		1										1	1	17
Fort Necessity																	
Lake Providence	5	5	10	4	1	1	2		2	1		6			2	1	40
Monroe	4	4	8	5		2	2		2							1	28
Mount Nebo	4	7	5	2	2		2		2	1			8		1	1	29
Mount Sinai and Beulah	1	3	4	4	1	1	3		1	1	1	1		2	2	1	26
Oak Ridge					1												1
Winnsboro	1		1														2
Waco	1		1		2							4					8
Total	28	19	47	21	11	6	13		10	4	1	12	9	2	6	6	175
NATCHITOCHES DISTRICT.																	
Allen and St. Paul	2	1	3	2			1						6				15
Alpha and Union																	
Bedford	10		10	10	1	1	10								2	5	49
Boyce and Williams' Creek	1		1	1	1		2		1								7
Campti and Mount Zion	5	2	7	5			5	1	1				22		1	1	50
Chopin and Old River	1	1	2				1						6		1	1	13
Colfax and Kateland																	
Columbus																	
Codshatta and Mt. Zion	7		7	1	1								9				25
Cane River	1																1
Fair Mount and Kynette	4		4	4			4								1	1	18
Lake End																	
Marthaville and Many	1	1	2	1			1		1						1		10
Natchitoches	3	1	4	1	1	1	3		1				16		1	1	31
Naborton	1		1				1										3
Pleasant Hill					1												1
Robeline and New Town	3		3	2	1	1	2								1	1	14
Total	39	6	45	27	6	3	30	1	4				59		8	10	237

NEW ORLEANS CENTRAL DISTRICT.																		
St. Charles Avenue	46	30	76	10	1	1	5		3	1		1			2	2		
Hammond	35		35	1	1				2						1			
First Italian	13	4	17															
Total	94	34	128	11	2	1	5		5	1					3	2	287	
NEW ORLEANS NORTH DISTRICT.																		
Asbury	1		1	1													3	
Darrowville	1	1	2	1			1								1		7	
Gretna	1		1	2			3										7	
Kenner	1	1	2	1			1									1	7	
Laplace and Lutcher							1									1	2	
Mandeville	1		1						1								3	
Malden Chapel																		
Mt. Zion	25	5	30	25	1	1	15		2				36		8	5	143	
Nashua and Lower Coast																		
New River	2		2	2			2										8	
Pleasant Plains	6	6	12	6	6	6	10		1			3	1		2	3	54	
Ponchatoula									1				3				4	
Scott Chinn Chapel	1	10	11	10	1	1	12		2	1	1	5		4	4	3	66	
Slidell and Pearlville	3	1	4	2	1	1	3	1							1	1	18	
St. Charles	7	3	10	8	1	1	7		3	1					1	1	44	
St. Matthew		3	3	2			5		8							3	24	
St. John		1	1	2	1		3							1	1	1	11	
Shady Grove					1	1											2	
Franklinton and Hayse	1		1		1		1									1	5	
Thompson Chapel	1		1		1		3										6	
Union Chapel	40		40	15	6	2	40		6	1		2	24			3	177	
Wesley Chapel	20	30	50	50	1	5	65	5	3	7	2	12	72		11	15	353	
Whitehall	9	2	11	9		1	10		1	1				10	3	1	58	
Total	119	63	182	127	26	19	79	6	28	11	3	22	136	15	32	39	1002	
NEW ORLEANS SOUTH DISTRICT.																		
Beattieville							5											
Berwick																		
Camp Parapett																		
Centreville and Verdenville	1	1	2	1		1	4	1	1								12	
Donaldsonville	20		20	10	1	1	15		1						2		50	
Franklin	4	6	10	7		1	15		2					1	1	1	48	
First Street Church	20		20	20	1	1	72	2	2	2	1		59		5	5	210	
Godman Chapel	6	2	8		1		6						3			1	27	
Houma and Dula	21		21	1	1	1	11	1	1	1					1	1	61	
Haven Chapel	10	5	15	1			10	1	1			1			1	1	46	
Island																		

Labadeville	1	1	2															4
Morgan City	3	2	5															10
Mallalieu	15	8	23	8	1	1	10		1	1		2			1	2		73
Napoleonville	5	7	12	5	2	2	10		2	2								48
Pattersonville																		
Simpson Chapel	35	15	50	5	1	1	40		3			2			1	2		155
Schriever	4		4	1	1	1	4					5						20
St. Patrick and St. James																		
Thibodaux	10	10	20	5	1	1	12	1	1				20	1	1	1		84
University Chapel	15	10	25	10	1	1	30		2	1	1	1				1		88
Williams Chapel	22	1	23	4		1	10	2		1	1	1						66
Winsted	1	4	5	5	1	1	15											32
Woodlawn	2	1	3	1														7
Union Chapel	5	5	10															20
Total	200	78	278	80	12	14	264	8	17	8	3	12	82	2	13	15		1015
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.																		
Bodcau	3	2	5	3	1	1	5		2							2		
Brownlee	2	1	3	1		1	1									1		
Fairfield	5		5	3	1	1	5		1					1	1	2		
Flournay	3	2	5	2	1	1	3		1	1		1						
Longstreet	2	2																
Grand Cane	2		2				2								1			
Mansfield	2	5	7	5			7	1					2		1	1		
Minden and Odam																		
Rocky Mound	2		2	1	1	1	1		1						2	1		
Round Grove		1	1			1												
Shady Grove	5		5	2	1		7		1							1		
St. James	10	21	31	15	2	1	31		4	1	1	1			5	8		
St. Paul	20	20	40	20	1	1	22	2	2	1	1	1			5	8		
Vanceville	5		5	2		1	5		2						1	1		
Total	61	54	111	54	8	9	89	3	14	3	2	3	2	1	16	25		

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Baton Rouge	78	30	109	50	10	15	132	4	8	3	2	4	109	1	21	20	612
Monroe	28	19	47	21	11	6	13		10	4	1	12	9	2	6	6	175
Natchitoches	39	6	45	27	6	3	30	1	4				59		8	10	237
New Orleans Central	94	34	128	11	2	1	5		5	1		1			3	2	287
New Orleans North	119	63	182	127	26	19	79	6	28	11	3	22	136	15	32	39	1002
New Orleans South	200	78	278	80	12	14	264	8	17	8	3	12	82	2	13	15	1015
Shreveport	54	56	110	55	8	8	81	3	12	3	2	3	2	1	16	25	438
Total	722	306	1028	414	97	80	574	28	102	37	12	59	297	23	113	134	3245

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